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SPORTS

Vikings stay unbeaten with 41-6 victory at East Jordan



Grayling High School's varsity football team pulled within one win of an automatic play-off berth with a 41-6 league victory at East Jordan on Friday night. The Vikings are now 5-0 overall.

Grayling scored first, driving 78 yards on nine plays during its second possession of the game. A screen pass to Ty Jensen picked up 31 yards on 2nd and 10, the second play of the series. Quarterback Zane Tobin threw to Riley Zigila for a nine-yard gain. Joey Schwartz ran for 18 yards on the next play. Three plays later, on 4th and 11, Tobin completed a 14-yard pass to Devon Dawson. On the next play, 1st and goal, Zigila scored for GHS on a five-yard TD run. Grayling led 6-0. **Page 1B**

Volleyball team moves to 4-0 in league with two more wins



The GHS varsity girls volleyball team improved its conference record to 4-0 with series victories vs. Traverse City St. Francis and Boyne City last week.

Grayling hosted Boyne City on Thursday night. The Vikings trailed the Ramblers 24-17 late in game one of the series. They rallied to score five consecutive points, pulling within two, but Boyne City won the match 25-22.

Grayling took game two 27-25 to tie the series at 1-1. In another close game, the Vikings edged Boyne City 25-23 in game three. **Page 1B**

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Sue McNally earned an honorable mention in the floral and landscape categories in the contest, and a third place in the wildlife category. Above, wildlife photo features a hummingbird feeding off of a deck in McNally's backyard.



George McKim of Grayling earned a first place honor in the wildlife category in the photo contest. Above, McKim took a photo of a fox basking in the sun off of McIntyre Landing near the boat launch for Lake Margrethe.

Fall color photograph earns first place honors in contest

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

As Mother Nature prepares a plethora of fall colors for northern Michigan residents and visitors, an amateur photographer has captured first place in a local photo contest while bringing back family memories.

Elaine Jansen of Grayling won first place in the forestry category for the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District's annual amateur photo contest.

A fab four from Crawford County scored top honors or honorable mention in the contest.

Jansen won the first place with a photo she took of trees displaying an array of fall colors last

year.

The photo was taken on a trail located off of Ole Dam Road. Jansen, the wife of Dave Jansen, said it was a family tradition to walk the trail with the couple's children, Kelly and Kevin.

"It was just a nice time to spend with the kids," Jansen said.

The children would view the colors and pick up the prettiest leaves. They would then bring them home and preserve them in paraffin wax for Halloween and Thanksgiving decorations.

Now, Kelly lives in Utah, while Kevin lives in Troy. Jansen has kept the family fall walks alive via her camera.

"This is just my way with

keeping them in touch with the home base and trying to jog some of their childhood memories," Jansen said. "I take the pictures to kind of keep them in touch with what we used to do together when they were younger."

Jansen downplayed her skills as a photographer and said she just takes the photos with a small digital camera.

"Basically, I like taking pictures of things that are pretty," Jansen said.

Jansen said she frames and displays some of the photos in her home and sends others to the children to remind them of the community where they grew up.

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Sue McNally of Grayling took her second place photo in the recreation category for the competition off of McIntyre Landing. Above, the photo was of her grandson, Oliver McNally, 5, who was sledding on the sand hill at the state park.



Larry Chaney scored an honorable mention in the forestry category of the photo competition. Above, photo was taken of the Howes Lake wildfire, which torched 817 acres of land in Crawford County in June.

Board pulls plug on proposal

Grayling Charter Township opts to leave leadership with supervisor

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The Grayling Charter Township Board of Trustees pulled the plug on a proposal to appoint a township superintendent and take away powers from the township supervisor last week.

The board unanimously voted to reject the Grayling Township Administrative Ordinance, which would have changed the duties of the Grayling Township supervisor and superintendent during the transition from a full-time supervisor with all inherent administrative duties assigned by the board to a part-time supervisor with only statutory duties. The superintendent would have been assigned all administrative duties previously held by the supervisor.

After holding two public hearings and taking input at its regular monthly meeting last week, the board decided to stay on its current course and not move forward with splitting township leadership duties.

"All this does is take the vote away from the people and gives it to the board on who they want to be in that position," said Grayling Charter Township resident and business owner Lacey Stephan III.

Grayling Charter Township Supervisor Terry Wright is scheduled to retire on Friday, Oct. 28 after holding the office for 15 years. Wright, who is moving to Florida, has more than a year left on an unexpired term.

Each board member was asked for their opinion before the vote was taken.

Beyond the first year of savings, board members said the long-term ramifications of hiring a township superintendent were unclear.

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Former city manager appeals jury conviction

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A Lansing attorney is trying to get the criminal conviction for former Grayling City Manager David Thayer overturned.

A jury found Thayer guilty of violating the Michigan Campaign Finance Act after a one-day trial held on Jan. 28.

At issue at the trial was whether Thayer used a city computer in his office at the Grayling City Hall to e-mail former Grayling City Council Member Tom Wellman. The attachment to the e-mail, sent on Sept. 11, 2009, included statements Wellman used in a campaign brochure for his failed bid for re-election.

Chief 46th Trial Court Judge Janet M. Allen ordered Thayer to pay \$670 in fines. Thayer, who served as the Grayling City Manager for over three years, had faced serving up to 60 days in jail.

Mary Chartier, a Lansing appeals lawyer, is seeking to have the conviction against Thayer tossed.

46th Circuit Trial Court Judge Dennis F. Murphy is hearing the appeal.

Chartier argued that the statute regarding the Michigan Campaign Finance Act should be considered vague and void regarding the case against Thayer. She also said Allen acknowledged that the statute was in-artfully worded during the jury trial.

Further, Chartier argued that Thayer had worked a full day for the city and sent the e-mail to Wellman as a friend on his personal time. She said there was no fair warning that Thayer could lose his job for his actions, there was nothing in his job description regarding sending e-mails and no reasonable man would consider themselves as an agent of the city 24-hour a day.

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2010 Harvest Fest

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annual arts and crafts show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 1 at the AuSable Primary School. The Crawford County Historical Society is also holding weekend events.

Sponsored by Grayling's Downtown Development Authority and Feeny Ford, the Harvest Fest will include a craft show and farm market.

Beth Hubbard, the farm market manager for the City of Grayling, said 15 to 20 vendors are expected, including some coming just for the Harvest Fest weekend.

"I've picked up a few extra vendors who are not regular participants at the farm market because I promoted the Harvest Fest through the Michigan Farm Market Association," Hubbard said.

Pony rides will be offered during Harvest Festival for the first time this year. Kids games will be held downtown and at the Ace Hardware Plaza.

A tractor show and parade will be held both days during the Harvest Festival and a truck show will be held for the first time this year.

"We're hoping to get some older model trucks and we will end up with some newer models that Feeny Ford is going to bring down," Hubbard said.

Free Wheelin' Fred Hinkle, a well known disc jockey at car shows, will be playing music downtown for the weekend.

McLean's Ace Hardware,

B.C. Pizza, Dairy Queen, China West and World of Floors are sponsoring a food drive for the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center. People who bring a non-perishable or canned food item to McLean's Ace Hardware on Oct. 1 will receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win \$100 worth of items from the businesses.

"People continue to struggle, and it's great to see these businesses join together to help stock the shelves at the Christian Help Center as we celebrate the harvest and they prepare for upcoming months when their assistance will be needed the most," Hubbard said.

A number of food vendors and non-profit organizations will be offering food downtown. In addition, Big Moe's Barbecue will be operating an apple press as part of Harvest Festival activities. Juice from the apples will not be available for consumption since state regulations requires a license and apple cider to be pasteurized before it is made available to the public, Hubbard said.

"We will do demonstrations with the apple press a couple times a day," Hubbard said.

A hay wagon will be available to take Harvest Festival attendees to the different events.

"We hope to bring some people downtown and give them a fun day in the city to celebrate the harvest and another successful year at

the farm market," Hubbard said.

Barb Bowers, chairwoman for arts and crafts show, said GPA will welcome many new crafters this year as well as some of the favorite vendors people look forward to seeing when they attend the show.

"It has always been a great place to do a little early Christmas shopping or to look for that perfect fall decoration for the home or office," Bowers said. "With many of the participants bringing fine sewn embroidered pieces, wood, stone and rusty metal creations, woolly mittens and scarves, afghans and custom pillowcases, there is always something to entice all who attend."

There are even unusual items for our four-legged friends, Bowers said.

Every year, the show jury limits too much repetition among crafters so that the booths are varied and there is more of an interest for everyone, Bowers said.

Admission to the arts and crafts show is \$1 and all proceeds go toward community projects and organization supported by GPA.

Lunch, including soup, wraps and desserts, will be served in the school cafeteria until 2 p.m.

The Crawford County Historical Society will host notable Michigan author and performer Raymond Goodwin at the Crawford County Historical Museum. Goodwin will give two half-hour performances of his original monologue "Wreck of the Gimpy Gin," at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Seating is limited, so people are encouraged to arrive early. There is no charge to attend the event, but donations to the museum will be accepted.

During the Harvest Festival weekend, the Crawford County Historical Society will be selling grandma's homemade breads, made by grandmothers who are Crawford County Historical Society members, at the museum. The sale will include banana bread, nut bread, pumpkin bread and zucchini bread made in just right sized loaves and reasonably priced. The museum will open at 10 a.m. on Saturday and noon on Sunday.

Besides the regular museum gift shop merchandise, several fall items will be on sale including sweatshirts featuring the museum logo in large and extra-large sizes. A special shipment of wooden train whistles, perfect for all of the little train lovers, will on sale for \$1 plus tax.

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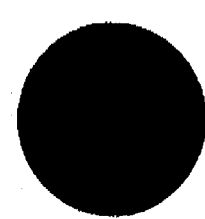
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Townships protest proposal to eliminate personal property tax

Many Michigan townships and other local units of government will face another major financial setback if personal property taxes are reduced or eliminated.

After struggling with reduced revenues from property foreclosures and lower property values coupled with cuts in state revenue sharing, township officials across the state say personal property taxes serve as a stable source of funding.

There are townships in Michigan where personal property taxes exceed 50 percent of the tax base. These communities rely on the high percentage of personal property tax for basic local government operations.

In Beaver Creek Township in Crawford County, 24.2 percent of the tax base is from personal property taxes.

In Winterfield Township in Clare County, 61.8 percent of the tax base is from personal property taxes.

Chandler Township in Charlevoix County relies on 55.5 percent of personal property taxes to fund its operating budget.

Fifty-four percent of Kalkaska County's Blue Lake Township's tax base is derived from personal property taxes.

Unlike the debate over the change in the Michigan business tax, which only impacted state revenues, any plan to modify personal property taxes would impact mostly local government operations, affecting everything from public safety to library operations.

"Beaver Creek Township relies heavily on personal property taxes to generate revenue to provide essential services to our citizens," said Beaver Creek Township Supervisor Brian Ashton. "While the township continues to collaborate with neighboring units of government on services and conduct other cost cutting measures, we have nowhere else to go for a funding source to operate our government. This is the last straw for us."

Michigan is one of 43 states that currently tax the tangible physical assets of a business. Some common examples are: office furniture, computers, industrial machinery and equipment, and copy and fax machines.

Personal property should not be confused with real property, which is the land and buildings. Personal property also includes oil and gas pipelines that travel the length and width of our state as well as wind turbines.

In 2010, approximately \$1.2 billion in personal property taxes were collected in Michigan. Personal property taxes makes up approximately eight percent of the total property taxes collected in the state. Of this amount, \$100 million went to the state through the State Education Tax, \$200 million went to local school districts for operations and another \$200 million went to pay school bonds. The remaining money, \$700 million, went to the operations of cities, villages, townships, counties, libraries and other governmental units that operate on property taxes.

The Michigan Townships Association (MTA) is encouraged by recent comments made by Gov. Rick Snyder that ending the personal property tax should largely result in a revenue neutral outcome. According to media reports, the governor's administration is evaluating a variety of options to replace the revenue to reflect the sharply diverging amounts of revenue local governments receive from it.

"MTA appreciates the tone of Gov. Snyder's media quotes regarding finding a replacement source that is revenue neutral," said Bill Anderson, Legislative Liaison with the MTA. "The townships look forward to working with the Snyder Administration to solve this very complicated issue."

"MTA takes this issue very seriously," Anderson added. "The elimination of personal property taxes impact local government operations in numerous ways. Obviously, the biggest impact will be how much revenue will be generated for basic local government operations. If a township has five percent of its tax base in the form of personal property taxes, then that revenue source will be gone forever. If it is 30 percent, that township is in big trouble."

Sen. Mike Nofs (R-Battle Creek) is the sponsor of Senate Bill 34, which would eliminate all personal property taxes. The Senate held two hearings on the legislation, focusing on how this legislation would benefit businesses. While many legislators have talked about moving the state in this direction, no replacement revenue has been publicly identified for local government operations.

According to the MTA, the personal property tax is, in large part, a local tax that would be changed or eliminated by state law. This fact usually leads to discussion about state reimbursement to locals for lost revenue.

"While the MTA has testified on Senate Bill 34, we need to be part of discussions on a replacement source of revenue," said Anderson. "The MTA's position is that if the state wants to decrease the burden on businesses, then the state can offer tax credits and refund the money through the new business tax. This then protects local governments from being the piggy bank that is raided every time the state's revenues fall short of expectations. It is easy to be suspicious of any legislative promises for funding in the future. In the era of term limits, the promise of a legislator today has very little meaning to their successor."

Anderson added that a change in personal property taxation would have impacts across the state, sometimes contrary to state objectives.

"One of the strongest economic development tools offered to our declining urban centers is the ability to offer manufacturers permanent exemptions on all personal property. This legislation was developed so that the urban centers could be competitive with Greenfield sites in the suburbs and rural areas from a tax perspective. The loss of this differential will put our urban areas back in the position of being uncompetitive because of the higher costs for property taxes on the land and buildings."

For other communities, it will mean the loss of revenue, just as it was starting to be realized.

"Wind turbines are liter-

ally sprouting up across the countryside," said David Bertram, MTA's Legislative Team Leader. "And for many of the communities where this is occurring, it is the first major growth in property tax revenue in many years. Changes to the law would potentially leave these communities with some very controversial structures and no substantial economic benefit being returned to the community. This issue is already beginning to cause concerns in areas where new turbines are being proposed."

Many legislators point to the fact that Ohio eliminated the taxation of personal property in 2006. According to information provided by MTA's sister organization, the Ohio Townships Association, the big issue in the legislation was how to deal with the loss of local revenue. The State of Ohio stepped up and reimbursed local governments for three years and then proposed phasing out the revenue over the course of the next six years. However, as the phase out was expected to take place, Ohio was hit by the poor economy. The Ohio legislature stepped in and stopped the phase-out of the state support, instead taking the position that they should support their local governments.

"Repealing the tax may be easier for legislators than finding a replacement and that concerns local governments," Anderson said.

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Fire occurs at local party store

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

An electrical fire, which followed heavy storms that whipped through the area Monday, caused the closure of the Ole Dam Party Store for about a day and a half.

The Grayling Fire Department was dispatched to the Ole Dam Party Store, located at 6622 M-72 West, at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 26.

The fire occurred in and around the electrical service meter and electrical panel for the store, said Cpt. Steve Eddy from the Grayling Fire Department.

"It was in that area of the building and that was the closest cause that I could pinpoint," Eddy said.

Eddy said the blaze was caused by an electrical problem but could not confirm that it was storm related.

The fire department remained on scene until 3:15 p.m.

Consumers Energy crews and electricians were called to the party store after the fire occurred.

Mark Hartman, the owner of the Ole Dam Party Store, said lightening had struck a

power transformer located near the store around 8 a.m.

One side of the transformer was knocked out of service, while the other side remained active. That likely caused a power surge to occur at the store's electrical meter and fuse box for the building.

Hartman said.

Hartman and Ole Dam Party Store Manager Teresa Gothrow were able to douse the blaze using fire extinguishers before firefighters arrived on the scene.

Eddy said the wise precaution of having the fire extinguishers on hand minimized the impact of the fire to just electrical and smoke damage.

"Their actions kept the fire from totaling the building," Eddy said.

The party store remained closed Monday. Hartman, who said he was forced to turn away a lot of business, planned to reopen the store at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 27.

"It's not good, but at least nobody got hurt," Hartman said of the impact on business. "If it would have happened at night, we would have lost the whole thing."

Correction

A story titled "Board will consider administrative ordinance at regular monthly meeting," published in the Sept. 22 edition of the *Crawford County Avalanche*, incorrectly referred to township resident Randy Sedgwick, as a former township zoning enforcement officer. Sedgwick was an ordinance enforcement officer for the township.

The Avalanche apologizes for the error.



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Issues and Opinions



Almanack

by Richard Milliman

As expected, Romney carries Mackinac Island

IT SHOULD BE no surprise that almost-favorite-son Mitt Romney, running a second time to win the Republican nomination for president, would win favor from much of Michigan Republican leadership.

As about 2,000 Republicans gathered at Mackinac Island recently for their usual Republican Leadership Conference, Mr. Romney came out on top of the usual straw poll of presidential candidates.

Why shouldn't Mitt Romney be the favorite in his home state? He was born in Michigan, was graduated from high school in Michigan, then went off to seek his fortune somewhere else.

After earning degrees in finance and law, his financial acumen and business dealings in the venture capital arena made Mitt Romney today's retired multi-millionaire, who also pitched in to pull the Olympic Games in Salt Lake City out of financial misery.

Like his father, Mitt also entered politics. He unsuccessfully tried to unseat legendary Sen. Ted Kennedy, then won election as Massachusetts governor.

His father, George Romney, was a popular governor of Michigan, winning three statewide elections and serving 1963-1969, who also ran for the GOP presidential nomination in 1968. He didn't make that last one.

A NIT PICKER might ask why favorite son Mitt Romney won only 50.1 percent of the 681 straw votes of Michigan party leaders.

Texas Gov. Rick Perry, considered Mitt Romney's chief rival for the 2012 nomination, trailed with 16.8 percent, and the other candidates were in single digits:

Herman Cain 8.5, Ron Paul 7.7, Michelle Bachmann 4, Newt Gingrich 3.5, Rick Santorum 3.4, and Jon Huntsman 2.

Michigan's US Rep. Thad McCotter, who formally withdrew his presidential foray and announced for reelection to Congress only days earlier, received five votes, for a 1 percent slice of the straw vote pie.

According to news coverage of the Mackinac event, many Republican leaders cited electability as a big issue in Mr. Romney's favor this time around.

"Clearly someone with a name like Romney will appeal to independents as well as Republicans," said Bobby Shostak, state GOP chair, claiming a native son at the top of the ticket could help Republicans carry Michigan for president next year.

Hank Fuhs, state party secretary, said "there's going to be no perfect candidate but the only person on the Republican side who can win (in 2012) is Mitt Romney."

That could be true.

AS COULD BE expected, state Democratic Chair Mark Brewer doesn't put much credence in the Republican claims about Mr. Romney's electability, citing widening negative reaction among Michigan voters to Republican Gov. Rick Snyder's programs, especially taxing pensions and cutting dollars to local schools.

Mr. Brewer claimed Republicans "are deluding themselves," according to an Associated Press story.

"It's like a little ideological political bubble there that ignores the reality of the world around them," Mr. Brewer said.

Of course, Republicans can make similar claims on the other side of the political fence, with President Obama's popularity in the dumps, and polling results echoing voter belief that America's not heading in the right direction.

In Michigan, maybe neither party can win in 2012.

As a historical note, the last Republican to carry Michigan for president was George H.W. Bush in 1988.

President Barack Obama defeated Republican John McCain by 16 percentage points in 2008.

STRAW VOTES - The straw vote syndrome indicates that Republicans certainly have a sense of humor.

Two earlier Republican straw votes of note point that way.

In a straw vote a week or so ago, for example, Florida Republicans crowned Herman Cain as their champion.

Mr. Cain, widely considered as a lower tier candidate almost impossible to win the eventual nomination, gathered 37.1 percent of the Florida straw vote, followed by

Gov. Perry with 15.4 percent and Mitt Romney with 14 percent. The rest of the avowed candidates trailed as usual.

The Florida vote - as most straw votes are - was largely a popularity contest, this one of delegates selected by local GOP groups to attend a statewide rally.

Then there was the Iowa straw vote a month or so ago, with Michelle Bachmann as the winner. Where is Ms. Bachmann's campaign now? The straw vote was its apex.

Straw votes, in the final analysis, are worth about as much as the straws that determine the outcome.

But with Herman Cain and Michelle Bachmann as winners?

A rather perverse sense of Republican humor is the only logical answer.

As the also-rans in any poll always correctly explain: The only poll that counts is the one on election day.

Amen.

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Viewpoint

By Dr. James Wilson, Medical Director,
District Health Department #10

New tobacco and nicotine products concern as kids head back to school

Results from a community scan recently conducted by local agencies around Michigan, in collaboration with the Michigan Department of Community Health Tobacco Section, indicate that there are several new and emerging tobacco and non-tobacco nicotine products being sold and marketed statewide and locally.

"In the past several years an abundance of new tobacco and nicotine products have come on to the market," stated Dr. James Wilson, Medical Director at District Health Department #10. "These products are heavily marketed to young people through advertising and the use of colorful packaging and flavoring."

Thirty-six agencies conducted the scan in 806 venues located within 45 Michigan counties. Scanned venues included gas stations, convenience stores, grocery stores, pharmacies,

and others. Among all venues scanned statewide, 98% sold newly emerging products. Snus (a moist oral tobacco product) and e-cigarettes were the top two products sold. Other products available in some areas resemble candy, mints, or breath strips. They are marketed as "easy to conceal" and don't require the user to smoke, chew, or even spit. The products are available in a variety of flavors including mint, frost, peppermint, winterchill, citrus, vanilla and cherry.

District Health Department #10 participated in a scan in August 2011 and found Snus and e-cigarettes available in Wexford County.

The tobacco industry markets these products as an alternative to smoking cigarettes, and portrays the products as less harmful than smoking cigarettes. However, there is no evidence indicating these new

products are any safer. Quitting tobacco use or addiction to nicotine is one of the best steps that people can take to improve their health.

According to Dr. Wilson, "The most challenging aspects of these new products is that they can be used discretely and they are appealing to young people. Kids can begin a lifetime of addiction to nicotine and be at risk for all of the health issues associated with tobacco use. During this busy and exciting time as kids head back to school, we want parents, caregivers, school staff and area youth to be aware that these products are being sold in our community, and that they are not a safe alternative to smoking cigarettes."

For help in quitting tobacco use, talk with your healthcare provider or contact the Michigan Tobacco Quitline at 1-800-784-8669.

Viewpoint

By Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield

Prevent bullying - tips to help you and your child

Bullying, when one child picks on another repeatedly, is an increasing problem in schools. Bullying can be physical, verbal or social. One only has to think of the most recent school shooting to know that bullying can have tragic consequences. Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield wants to help you ensure your child is safe from bullying at school and promote an atmosphere where problems can be worked out constructively, rather than violently. The following are just a few tips to help you whether your child is being bullied, your child is the bully or your child observes bullying.

When your child is bullied:

Help your child learn how to respond by teaching your child how to: Look the bully in the eye. Stand tall and stay calm in a difficult situation. Walk away.

Teach your child how to say in a firm voice: I don't like what you are doing. Please do not talk to me like that. Why would you say that?

Teach your child when and how to ask for help. Encourage your child to make friends with other children. Support activities

that interest your child. Alert school officials to the problems and work with them on solutions.

Make sure an adult who knows about the bullying can watch out for your child's safety and well being when you cannot be there.

When your child is the bully: Be sure your child knows that bullying is never ok. Set firm and consistent limits on your child's aggressive behavior. Be a positive role model. Show children they can get what they want without teasing, threatening or hurting someone. Use effective, non-physical discipline, such as loss of privileges. Develop practical solutions with the school principal, teachers, counselors and parents of the children your child has bullied.

When your child is a bystander: Tell your child not to cheer on or even quietly watch bullying. Encourage your child to tell a trusted adult about the bullying. Help your child support other children who may be bullied. Encourage your child to include these children in activities. Encourage your child to join with others in telling bullies to stop.

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Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone number must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

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Community Briefs items submitted to the Crawford County Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced.

Handwritten items must also have ample space between each

line; on lined paper use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

Briefs

Arts and Craft Show to be held

The Grayling Arts and Craft Show, presented by GPA will be held on Oct. 1, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Grayling Primary School. Admission is \$1. For more information, call 989-348-7966.

Animal Shelter to hold meeting

The AuSable Valley Animal Shelter will hold their meeting on Sept. 30, at 3 p.m., at the shelter.

Hunters Safety class to be held

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield and the Crawford County Sheriff's Office will hold a Hunter Safety class at the AuSable Primary School cafeteria on Saturday, Oct. 15, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 16, from 8:30 a.m. to noon. Both sessions must be attended. Participants should be at least 10 years of age and must be preregistered to attend. Bring a bag lunch and a drink. Class size is limited to the first 40. To register, call 344-3214, Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Museum to be part of Harvest Festival

The Historical Museum will be part of the Harvest Festival on Oct. 1 and 2, with Michigan author Raymond Goodwin performing a monologue at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Grandma's homemade breads will be on sale on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. Admission is free, but donations are welcome and will go to the restoration of the museum buildings.

Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to crawfordcountyavalanche.com, click on community and go to the community calendar.

Crawford County 4-H youth to build wind energy technologies

The 4-H youth in Crawford County will join millions of young people across the nation to become scientists for the day during the fourth annual 4-H National Youth Science Day (NYSD). The event will take place on Wednesday, Oct. 5, at the Grayling Nature Center from 3:30 p.m. until 5 p.m. The cost is \$5.

As part of 4-H NYSD, youth will participate in Wired for Wind: the 2011 National Science Experiment, which will demonstrate how young people can implement alternatives to traditional energy production and have a positive impact on their communities and ecosystems.

To combat a national shortage of young people pursuing science college majors and occupations, and to enhance the nation's contribution to the sciences,

4-H NYSD demonstrates that science, engineering, math and technology are fun and attainable options for college degrees and future careers.

Currently, more than five million young people across the nation participate in 4-H science, engineering, technology and applied math year-long programming.

Through the One Million New Scientists, One Million New Ideas campaign, 4-H is working towards a bold goal to engage one million new young people in science, engineering, technology and applied math programs by the year 2013.

To participate register by Sept. 30 or for more information contact the MSU Extension 4-H office in the basement of the Crawford County Courthouse or call (989) 344-3266.

Mercy Hospital Grayling offering free gestational Diabetes classes for women

Beginning Oct. 1, Mercy Hospital Grayling will offer a program for women who had gestational diabetes during pregnancy. The program will cover topics including healthy eating to give you more energy, losing weight in a healthy manner, exercise facts and reminders, better food choices, grocery shopping and cooking tips.

"Many mothers find it difficult to get into a routine after giving birth, especially with a precious newborn that needs a lot of love, other children who need affection and attention, a significant other, a career and so much more. It is challenging for mothers who had diabetes during their pregnancy to lose the baby weight and eat healthy with so many different

responsibilities occurring at once," said Rhonda Haske, RN, BSN, Certified Diabetes Educator.

The program contains six sessions that are free to everyone. Each session will be held individually with a registered dietician and incentives will be awarded throughout the program.

Call (989) 348-0455 to sign up for the Healthy You! Healthy Life! program or for more information. Participants are welcome to bring their new baby with them.

Forest Dunes raises \$3,150 for military families

Children and spouses of fallen soldiers will have the opportunity to go to college with the support from Forest Dunes Golf Club. The club held a Patriot Day Flag Tournament on Sept. 11 to raise money for the Folds of Honor Foundation.

Started by a serviceman who is also a Professional Golfers' Association of America member, the Folds of Honor Foundation provides post-secondary educational scholarships to the spouses and children of service members disabled or killed as a result of their military service to our great nation.

Forest Dunes donated \$20 from each round of golf played on its Patriot Day to Folds of Honor, a registered 501 (c)(3) charitable organization.

In addition, Forest Dunes honored military personnel and those who lost their lives in the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks with a flag competition. Participants in the competition made an additional \$20 donation to the foundation to enter the tournament.

Competitors added their USGA handicap to par in order to establish an allotted number of strokes. Once they reached their allotted number of shots, they placed an American flag at the point on the course where their ball landed. The golfer who staked his/her flag the farthest around the

course was the winner.

The contributions to Folds of Honor by Forest Dunes and its patrons totaled \$3,150 as 67 golfers participated in the flag tournament.

"We take great pride in continuing to host this event," head professional Donny Fisher said. "It is a great cause and has special meaning to our area because of the military training done locally at Camp Grayling."

"We also have tied our event in with the 9/11 tragedy because every citizen has a reason to be thankful for the efforts of those who risk their lives to help save others. Everyone in America was affected by the events of 9/11 and all the American flags on the course were a reminder of those who lost their lives that day as well."

The Folds of Honor Foundation was founded in 2007 by Major Dan Rooney, an F-16 pilot, golf course owner, PGA Professional and USGA member. A Major in the Air National Guard and a decorated military aviator, Rooney served three combat tours in Iraq. After returning from his second tour, Major Rooney witnessed a profound situation that drove him to create the Folds of Honor Foundation.

More information on the foundation can be found at foldsofhonor.org.

Sheriff's Report

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 101 complaints the week of Sept. 19 - Sept. 25.

One missing persons, 24 general non-criminal complaints, three delinquent minors, four false alarm activations, one assault-intimidation-stalking, two assault and batteries/simple assaults, two assault-public officials, one burglary-forced entry-residence, three larcenies, one fraud, two damage to property complaints, one damage to property-business property, one damage to property-private property, one marijuana-possession, one disturbing the peace, seven public peace/disorderly complaints, one OUIL/UBAL, two operating while intoxicated, one portable signal preemption device, four healthy and safety complaints, one miscellaneous arrest, 10 traffic accidents, one traffic violations-civil infraction, five inspections-property, nine investigations-family trouble, 10 suspicious situations and two lost and found property reports.

Sheriff Wakefield asks, "Do you know where your children are? Please

remember, our children are our future."

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Raffle Winners

Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for Sept. 25 of \$25 each; Loretta Tobin, Lynn Starr and Bob Cinciala.

Grayling Lions Club

The winner of the Grayling Lions Club Lucky 13 raffle on Sept. 23 was Stephanie Bryant.

The Bible Speaks

Is Self First?

Romans 14:6,7 bring us to a summary of the teaching of Romans 14:1-5 and introduces us to the most important truth about non-essentials to the faith. "6He that regardeth the day, regardeth it unto the Lord; and he that regardeth not the day, to the Lord he doth not regard it. He that eateth, eateth to the Lord, for he giveth God thanks; and he that eateth not, to the Lord he eateth not, and giveth God thanks. 7For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself."

First God deals with the respect given to days as spoken of in Romans 14:5: "5One man esteemeth one day above another: another esteemeth every day alike. Let every man be fully persuaded in his own mind." The most important principle about observing or not observing days is for who, what, and why are they being honored or not honored in the first place. Do we put our Lord first each and every day regardless of which day it is? "17And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men." (Col. 3:23). As 1 Corinthians 7:34 reminds us it is easy to live our lives centered on the things of this world and seeking to please our wife or husband and not Jesus Christ. It is good to begin each day with Psalm 118:24: "24This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it." Do we express our gratitude and thanksgiving to God for the blessings of each and every day?

Second, God deals with respect given to foods as spoken of in Romans 14:1-3: "1Him that is weak in the faith receive ye, but not to doubtful disputations."

2For one believeth that he may eat all things: another, who is weak, eateth herbs. 3Let not him that eateth despise him that eateth not; and let not him which eateth not judge him that eateth: for God hath received him." "31Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." (1 Cor. 10:31). God rebuked the Jews in Zechariah 7:5,6 because even in fasting and mourning they put self first instead of Him: "5Speak unto all the people of the land, and to the priests, saying, When ye fasted and mourned in the fifth and seventh month, even those seventy years, did ye at all fast unto me, even to me? 6And when ye did eat, and when ye did drink, did not ye eat for yourselves, and drink for yourselves?" Do we express our gratitude and thanksgiving to God for the food we do or do not eat each day?

Third, God is to be the primary reason for us to live or die! Nothing or no one is more important than Him. "7For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself." Selfishness is the sin of our age! Everything must be considered in the context of "I", "Me", or "My". Each one seeks "my rights", "my space", "my time", "my things", "my pleasure", "my happiness", and "my life". God and others are dethroned that self might live and rule. No wonder no one has time for Church on Sunday. No one has time to listen to and care for others. No wonder our nation, our churches, our families, and our own lives are in such despair. Our help comes only by putting God first again in our lives. (2 Chronicles 7:14). Pastor "B"

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Obituaries



Linda M. Wales

Linda Marie Wales, 56, of Grayling, died on September 21, 2011.

She was born in Flint, on May 25, 1955, daughter of Helen Marie (Potter) Palmer and the late Lee Roy Palmer.

She married Leroy Wales 18 years ago.

She enjoyed crafts and ceramics.

She is survived by her mother, Helen Palmer; husband, Leroy Palmer; daughter, Holly Marie (Rob) Gregoire; and grandson, Gage Michael of Florida; brothers: David Palmer of Grayling, Duane Palmer of Flint, Jeff Palmer of Chesaning; and sister, Carol (Mike) Fritz of Mt. Morris.

She was preceded in death by brother, Rick Palmer.

Funeral service was held September 26, 2011, at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Interment was held at Elmwood Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorenson-lockwood.com.

Arrangements entrusted to Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Frank Muth

Frank Muth, known to many Grayling Residents as Dinger. He was 97 and resided at Heartland Nursing home in Bucyrus, Ohio, were he passed away on September 22, 2011.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Jerry; both parents, Frank and Olive; as well as brothers and sisters.

He was born April 17, 1914 in Traverse City.

While living in Grayling the majority of his life, he loved to hunt and fish. He also worked at the Bear Archery, as well as being in the service.

He is survived by a sister, Mary; and also Margret Drulard along with her two sons, Thomas (Bonnie) and Jay as well as their children; along with many nieces and nephews.

Card of Thanks

In loving memory of Alta Bindschatel.

Her sons, nieces, nephews and grandchildren want to express their gratitude and thanks to the following: Sorensens, Frederic Hobby Club, Eva Hulbert, Pastor Dale Hammond, Mark Marlich, Jeanie Harwood, Verna Raven, son Dana and family and to all the neighbors, families and friends who were there for us when we needed help and comforting.

Thank you and God Bless.

Marc, Eric and Gary Bindschatel

In Memory of

In Memory of Roger D. Kent, November 9, 1958 - October 2, 2001.

We always think of you every day as it goes by. You're always in our thoughts and prayers. We love and miss you very much.

Sadly missed and loved by your family and friends

Card of Thanks

A special thank you to the VFW for performing the ceremony to honor my husband. And to the Grayling Eagles for the wonderful luncheon and the graciousness of trustee Paul Hetrick and the ladies auxiliary for all their kindness shown in our celebration of Richard's life.

The family of Richard E. Bunger

Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Sept. 30 - Lunch - chicken tenders, scalloped

potatoes, green beans and orange sections. No Dinner. 10 a.m. card golf, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo and Pool.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.



Norma J. Darling

Norma J. Darling, 76, of Tekonsha, passed away Sunday, September 25, 2011 at the Community Health Center of Branch County.

She was born August 12, 1935 in Coldwater, to Lester and Laurabell (Harmon) Colvin.

She married Wayne Mowrey on September 26, 1953 and later married Samuel "Bud" Darling on March 22, 1980. He preceded her in death in 1999.

She had worked at the former Shaw Shoe Factory for several years, Federal Mogul from 1972-1975 and for many years at McDonalds in Coldwater, from which she eventually retired.

Norma enjoyed crocheting and playing pool, having played with the Tri-County Women's Pool League. Bingo and gambling were some of her favorite pastimes so trips to the casino were always in store. She enjoyed socializing with people so evenings out to eat and a movie brought her great enjoyment.

She loved to travel and

had spent many winters in Tucson, Ariz.

Norma is survived by her children: Douglas (Shirley) Mowrey of Grayling, Chris (Kathy) Mowrey, Mark (Chris Foley) Mowrey all of Coldwater; her brother, Harold Colvin of Union City; sisters: Noreen (Morris Taylor) McLatcher, Shirley (Lou) Johnson, Dena (John) Downey, Joyce (Gerald) Weaver and Judy Tyler all of Coldwater; grandchildren: Tasha, Tabitha, Tracy, Julie, Lisa, Christopher, Janae, Samantha, Sara, Nicole, Scott Jr., and Sonya; her longtime companion, Jack W. Bronson of Tekonsha; her very special friends Sharon France of Grayling and Bert; many great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews; and her former husband, Wayne Mowrey of Coldwater.

In addition to her husband Bud, Norma was also preceded in death by her brothers, Duane and LaVerne Colvin; grandson, Anthony Barone in November 1999; and her sister-in-law, Martha Colvin.

A service for Norma was held on Wednesday, September 28, 2011 at 2 p.m. at Dutcher Funeral Home in Coldwater.

Following cremation, interment of ashes will take place at Oak Grove Cemetery in Coldwater.

Memorials may be directed to the family to help with expenses. www.dutcherfh.com.

Range Firing

Range activities at Camp Grayling for Oct. 6-12 will be as follows:

Small arms ranges, located North of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline, south of Portage Creek and west of Lake Margrethe, Oct. 6-8.

Range 15, located south of the main post, bounded on the west by Grayling Moorestown Road/Cadillac Road and on the south by Carrier Road, Oct. 6-7.

The 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), Oct. 6-7 and 11-12.

The 40 Complex, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), Oct. 6-8.

The 30 Complex, located north of North Down River

Road, east of Jones Lake Road, south of County Road 612 and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail, Oct. 6-12.

In addition, the following roads will be closed Oct. 06-29: Bucks East-West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Road to Wakeley Bridge Road; Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to North Down River Road; Stephen Bridge Road from County Road 612 to North Down River Road; Wakeley Bridge Road from Country Road 612 to North Down River Road.

This firing schedule is subject to change without notice.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. Grayling DNR telephone number: 989-348-6371.

For further information call 989-344-6100.



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FOREST DUNES GOLF CLUB

The Grayling High School Class of 51's held their 60th class reunion on Sept. 7 at Fred's in Roscommon. Class members pictured above are: Back row (left to right) Jack Kolka; Phyllis (Ziebell) Kessler; Patricia (Stephen) Fowler; Betty Jeanne (Mathewson) Haslem; Joan (Bond) Miller; Bob Niederer. Front row (left to right) Donald Millikin; William Weiss; Helen (Stephen) Hatfield; Joan L. (Simpson) Murphy; and George Kessler. They have plans to meet again in five years, 2016.

This past summer, the Crawford County Peace Seekers hosted the Moveable Peace Budget Priorities Roadshow, an interactive exhibit and performance designed to educate people about defense spending and the federal budget.

"In these difficult economic times, American citizens are being told that we must make sacrifices, that there is not enough money to go around, and that we have no choice but to give up funding for critical social services. But where is all of our money actually going?" asked Kevin "Mr. Peace" Szawala, the head presenter.

At the Budget Priorities Roadshow, visitors got a unique look at where the nation's dollars are being invested, and how their priorities compare to actual government spending.

The Roadshow demonstrated how much of our nation's money is claimed by defense spending, especially in comparison to how much is left over for other services that Americans depend on in their everyday lives.

Through the use of an interactive "penny poll," visitors had the chance to compare their own budget priorities to the Federal discretionary budget spending.

"Here in Grayling people put housing as their top pri-

ority, giving it 40 percent, but Congress only spends two-percent of federal income tax dollars on this category."

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Northern Listings Realty opens in Grayling

by Dan Sanderson
 Staff Writer

Three Grayling real estate brokers launched a new real estate agency to assist property owners and buyers in the current challenging market.

Northern Listings Realty recently opened at 402 E. Michigan Ave. Dan Bonamie II, Duane "Duey" LaMotte and Rick Anderson started the business. They share the building, where the former Crawford AuSable School District Central Offices were located, with The Gum Drop Kid's Shop and William Weaver Builders

LLC. The consignment shop, which features children's clothing, is owned and operated by Bonamie's wife, Angie.

After working for big named real estate franchises in the past, the three agents decided to venture out on their own.

"We wanted to get downtown and give people something local so we could help out the community," Bonamie said. "That's the best place to be and we hope other businesses will follow suit and come downtown."

The agents said they were tired of paying franchise fees and not knowing

where their dollars were being spent and benefits they were receiving.

Now, they are not constrained to using particular signage, can put more time into a property listing and spend money on advertising to get the word out on what is available in the market.

"I love coming to work again," LaMotte said.

Northern Listings Realty also has the capability to link with other real estate websites in the country and region when people are looking to buy or sell property in the market.

"We've got a lot of the big benefits that franchises

have even though we're a small business," Anderson said. "It's a no brainer and it's easy."

Finally, Northern Listings Realty offers property management services for both property owners and tenants for rental, commercial and industrial properties.

Bonamie said the firm hopes to add more agents in the future.

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Board approves layoff notice

by Dan Sanderson
 Staff Writer

Heading into a new budget year, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners was forced to issue a pink slip to a central dispatch employee last week.

The board, at its regular monthly meeting, directed Crawford County Administrator Paul Compo to send a letter informing Harold Jay Mertes III that he was being laid off. Mertes, who has worked as a 911/central dispatcher for about two years, will be laid off effective Oct. 22.

The county's audit com-

mittee determined that the Central Dispatch had a shortfall of \$20,000 for the 2010-11 fiscal year. The projected shortfall for the 2011-12 budget year is \$50,000.

Compo said the county has maxed out on all the revenues it receives from land line phones, cell phone and other devices that are able to contact 911.

County officials talked with three veteran central dispatch employees about potentially retiring to avoid the layoff.

"They're simply not in the position to retire at this point," Compo said.

Larry Akers, the emergency management/911 director for Crawford County, said the county will have six dispatchers after the layoff.

The county has budgeted \$6,000 for project overtime costs to cover hours that Mertes would have been assigned to fill.

The county will review calling Mertes back to his job if revenues improve.

"This is one of the tough decisions we have to make," said Dave Stephenson, chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners. "It's a sign of the times."

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(Left) Austin Isenhauer, 11, a 6th grader at Grayling Middle School, shot a 6-point buck on Sept. 24, the first day of youth hunting. (Right) Sally Metiva is pictured with her first buck, taken during the September Youth Hunt near McBain. She was with her father when she shot the spike at 7:40 a.m. on Sept. 24.

Library News

The Genealogy Group meets at Devereaux Memorial Library every Monday at 10 a.m. Study ancestry and discover your family history with the help of experienced genealogists.

Join us for "Story Hour" at Devereaux Memorial Library every Wednesday at 11:15. This interactive program is for children ages 0-5 and their caregivers and is filled with stories, crafts and snacks. Call Miss Connie at 989-348-9214 for additional information.

What if you had no right to read? Celebrate the last day of Banned Book Week and the kick-off of Fire Safety week at "Fire & Ice" a family program honoring some true heroes...firemen, and the classic book "Fahrenheit 451" by Ray Bradbury. Check out the fire truck and meet Fireman Steve Eddy at Devereaux Memorial Library

on Saturday, Oct. 1 at 1:30 p.m. See Spot the Dalmatian and stay to cool off at our ice cream social. Everyone welcome, call Jane at 989-348-9214 for more hot information.

Suffering from writer's block? Join us for "Write On!" a local group of aspiring authors that meets the first Tuesday of every month at 5 p.m. Get your write on this Tuesday, Oct. 4 at Devereaux Memorial Library.

We are having an American Girl Hair Fair this month at Devereaux Memorial Library. Our American Girl Club will be featuring those tangled tresses that top your head. Enjoy the first program called "Hair Pair" on Thursday, Oct. 6 at 3:30 p.m. where girls can pair up with a friend (or meet a new one) to learn some fun braiding and up-dos from Gail Swope from Heads Up North. Suitable for ages 6-12. Sign up required.

Honors

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Former city manager appeals jury conviction

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"While unwise, it was not illegal and he should not be saddled with a criminal conviction that does not fall within the ambit (scope) of the statute," Chartier said during oral arguments.

Grayling attorney Dave Sabin, who was contracted to serve as special prosecutor for Thayer's case, argued that Thayer was hired by the city council to handle all day-to-day affairs for the city.

"The city of Grayling did not hire a marionette when they hired him as a manager - they hired him as an agent," Sabin said.

Chartier also argued that the jury should have been giving specific instructions on what it meant to act on behalf of a public body before they went into deliberations for the verdict.

Sabin argued that he, James Hunt, Thayer's trial lawyer, and Allen discussed the jury instructions and there was plenty of time to educate the jury about the issue during the trial.

"There was no miscarriage of justice here," Sabin said.

Finally, Chartier argued that Thayer's Constitutional rights were denied when Hunt or a forensic computer analyst was denied access to the computer or a mirror image, duplicate image, of the computer's hard drive.

During the jury trial, Dan Eggeston, owner of I.T. Right, a company that provides computer technical support and networking services based in Bath, said he was requested to create a back up of information contained on the computer Thayer used. The computer

was removed from service in February 2010, re-purposed and put back into service at city hall in July.

Eggeston said a mirror image of the computer's hard drive would have possibly allowed the opportunity to conduct a deep data scan on the hard drive to find deleted or destroyed information. He was not requested to complete the task or told why the computer was asked to be examined by his firm.

Sabin argued the Michigan Supreme Court does not allow discovery, where attorneys are required to exchange information before a trial, in a misdemeanor case.

"It's not a Constitutional issue - it's a procedural issue," Sabin said.

Chartier said the mirror image would have allowed

for examination of the computer to determine if it was tampered with after being taken into police custody.

"That does not trump the Constitution," Chartier said of the discovery issue. "Mr. Thayer was denied access to a critical piece of evidence that would have assisted him tremendously in providing a complete defense to the jury."

Murphy said he would issue a written opinion on Thayer's appeal.

The Grayling City Council placed Thayer on a paid administrative leave on Feb. 11, 2010. His contract was terminated with the city on May 24, 2010, and he was arrested for the campaign violation charge the next day. Other misdemeanor charges that Thayer faced were dismissed in October 2010.

Board opts to leave leadership with township supervisor

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"There were too many unknowns for me and this township government is too small to be adding another position," said Grayling Township Superintendent Shawn Krays.

Township Treasurer Cindy Olson said the board should follow the opinion of the citizens, who spoke out against the proposal, and have a supervisor with who has day-to-day contact with the citizens.

"We have to have the right person to represent the township and the communi-

ty," Olson said. "The people don't want it and I don't want it."

At the meeting, Wright recommended his salary to be lowered from \$51,361 to \$34,441. The change was made because zoning administration and zoning ordinance enforcement will be assigned to Bob Dixon, the township's building and zoning director.

The township just hired Cindy Reetz to serve as the tax assessor, so those duties will not be assigned to the next township supervisor. Reetz, who worked 31 years

for the Michigan Tax Commission, is scheduled to start with the township on Oct. 3.

"I'm really anxious for her to get in here and get started," Wright said.

The township will advertise for an interim township supervisor, who will receive the salary Wright is paid when he leaves office. Initial interviews will be held at 9 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 10.

"Even though I don't have a dog in this fight, I do want to have a smooth transition," Wright said.

Grayling Charter Township Trustee Dennis Long was in favor of appointing Dixon as the township supervisor. After some final consideration, Long said it was unclear if the township could afford to pay a full-time building inspector and create another full-time position given the drop in building activity and revenues for the township.

Long said he appreciated the input from township residents and looked forward to moving forward.

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Fall color photograph earns first place honors in contest

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"It's just different, unique things that I see," Jansen said. "I'm just an amateur. I take a picture and see what happens with it."

Jansen said she learned of the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District's annual amateur photo contest from a flyer that was mailed.

"It was just a fluke," Jansen said. "I thought it would be a nice idea to enter something and see where I stood."

George McKim of Grayling earned a first place honor in the wildlife category in the photo contest. He also earned an honorable mention in the floral category for a picture he took of an

iris.

McKim took a photo of a fox basking in the sun off of McIntyre Landing near the boat launch for Lake Margrethe. McKim was actually on a mission to capture a photo of fog coming off the lake when he spotted the fox.

"It was on a frosty, cold morning last fall," McKim said.

McKim said he was more than satisfied to miss out on the fog picture for the rare opportunity to photograph the fox.

"They're busy, they got their own agenda and they don't sit still very long, so I was pretty lucky," McKim said.

McKim has his camera in

tow at all times.

"It pays to be ready because those moments happen quickly and then it's over," McKim said of taking pictures of wildlife and nature.

McKim has entered the photo contest in previous years, but this is the first year he has finished in first place.

"It's a pretty good contest and there are a lot of really good photos on display," McKim said. "Knock on wood that it happened where I won first place, but I'm going to keep trying."

Ironically, Sue McNally of Grayling also took her second place photo in the recreation category for the competition off of McIntyre Landing.

The photo was of her grandson, Oliver McNally, 5, who was sledding on the sand hill at the state park.

"It was plenty big enough for him," McNally said.

Like others, McNally always has a camera in hand.

"If there's going to be action - I'm going to find it," she said.

McNally earned an honorable mention in the floral and landscape categories in the contest, and a third place in the wildlife category.

The wildlife photo features a hummingbird feeding off of a deck in McNally's backyard.

McNally said it took her two hours to capture the perfect image of the hummingbird.

"They're very little, it's hard to focus in on them and they are fast," said McNally, who has some of her photos on display at the AuSable Artisan Village gallery.

Larry Chaney, earned first place in the landscape cate-

gory in the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District's annual amateur photo contest last year.

Chaney was born with Dandy-Walkers syndrome, which causes fluid to build up in one of the four lobes in his brain. The syndrome affects his vision, speech and coordination.

This year, Chaney scored an honorable mention in the forestry category of the photo competition. The photo was taken of the Howes Lake wildfire, which torched 817 acres of land in Crawford County in June.

"It was a nice fire picture," said Chaney, who took the picture from Howes Lake Road.

Chaney, who received his camera as a Christmas gift, said he is constantly striving to hone his skills behind the camera.

"I'm trying to get better every year," Chaney said.

A record number of 109 entries were submitted this year and were on display for the public to vote on at the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District's Expo held on Aug. 20 at the Houghton Lake Historical Playhouse. Over 300 people attended the event.

All photos are now on display at the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District's office, located at 500 Lake Street in the Roscommon County building. The office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Monday and Thursday.

"We encourage everyone to stop in and see these beautiful photos of our area," said Barb Stauffer, administrator for the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District.

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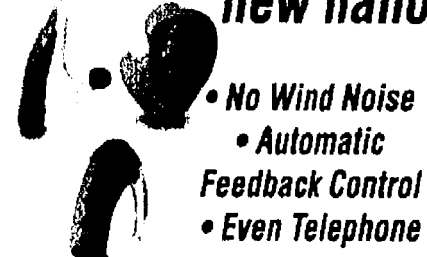
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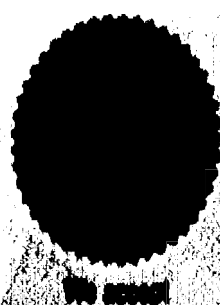
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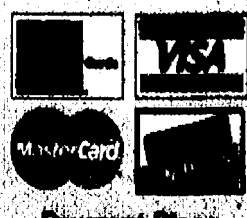
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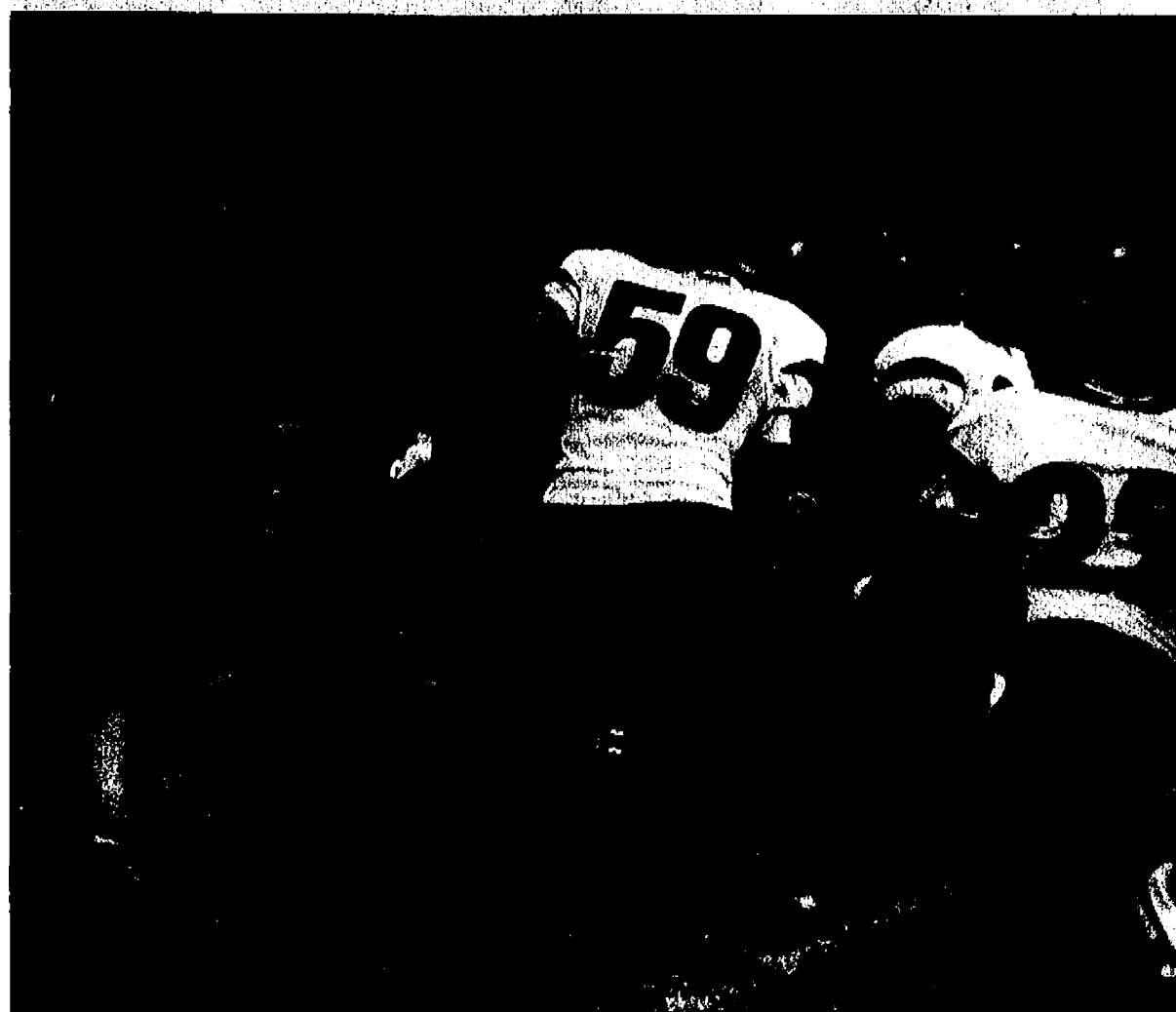
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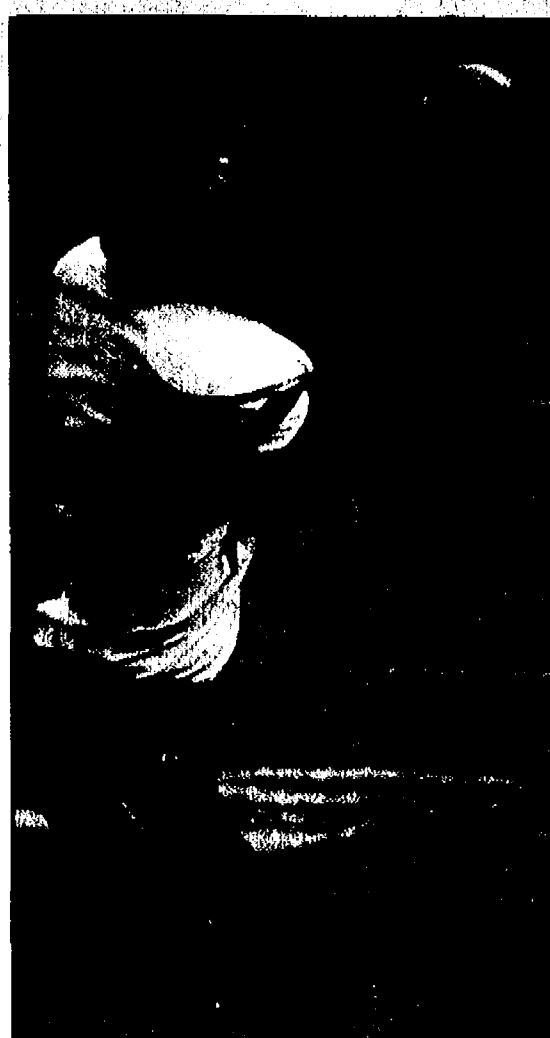
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Grayling defenders chase East Jordan's quarterback during Friday's 41-6 victory vs. the Red Devils.



Devon Dawson catches a pass near the sideline at East Jordan.

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Vikings stay unbeaten with 41-6 victory at East Jordan

Grayling moves to 5-0 overall with Friday's win

by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

They won again. Grayling High School's varsity football team pulled within one win of an automatic playoff berth with a 41-6 league victory at East Jordan on Friday night. The Vikings are now 5-0 overall.

Grayling scored first, driving 78 yards on nine plays during its second possession of the game. A screen pass to Ty Jensen picked up 31 yards on 2nd and 10, the second play of the series. Quarterback Zane Tobin threw to Riley Zigila for a nine-yard gain. Joey Schwartz ran for 18 yards on the next play. Three plays later, on 4th and 11, Tobin completed a 14-yard pass to Devon Dawson. On the next play, 1st and goal, Zigila scored for GHS on a five-yard TD run. Grayling led 6-0.

The Vikings tried an on-side kick and East Jordan recovered it. The Red Devils scored on a

48-yard touchdown run on the first play of the series. Grayling blocked the extra point kick. Grayling 6, East Jordan 6.

Grayling went for it on 4th and 6 and came up short. East Jordan punted on 4th and 15.

Tobin threw to Scott Parkinson for 20 yards. Jensen ran for 30 yards on 2nd and 10. Tobin completed a pass to Justice Junttila for 11 yards, which brought up 1st and goal at the 1-yard line. East Jordan's defense held. On 4th and 5, the Red Devils deflected Grayling's pass attempt in the end zone, ending the possession.

East Jordan, unable to pick up a first down, had to punt on 4th and 7 from its eight-yard line. The snap sailed out of the end zone, resulting in a safety (two points and possession) for the Vikings. Grayling led 8-6.

Zigila returned East Jordan's punt-kick to the 30-yard line. Runs by Tobin and Jensen

picked up 12 yards and a first down. Tobin completed a shovel pass to Jensen on the next play for an 18-yard TD. Kevin Harris kicked the extra point and GHS led 15-6.

The Vikings tried another on-side kick. Dawson tipped the ball back into the field of play, keeping it from going out of bounds, and Wes Dean recovered the ball for GHS near the sideline.

Grayling scored quickly, finishing a 41-yard drive with an eight-yard TD pass from Tobin to Zigila. GHS led 21-6 with 5:30 left in the first half.

On 4th and 3, East Jordan punted from deep in its end of the field. Zigila returned the kick to East Jordan's 39-yard line. Passes to Junttila and Parkinson picked up a first down for GHS. Tobin threw to Tyler McClanahan for 10 yards. On 1st and goal, Schwartz rushed for a five-yard TD.

Lake Michigan Conference

Team	League Record	Overall Record
Grayling	3-0 (5-0)	
St. Francis	3-0 (4-1)	
Boyne City	2-1 (3-2)	
Kalkaska	2-1 (3-2)	
Charlevoix	1-2 (1-4)	
Elk Rapids	1-2 (1-4)	
East Jordan	0-3 (0-5)	
Harbor Springs	0-3 (0-5)	

Last week's scores:
Grayling 41, East Jordan 06
Boyne City 07, Kalkaska 00
Charlevoix 00, St. Francis 19
Elk Rapids 49, Harbor Springs 14

Harris kicked the extra point.

Grayling led 28-6 at halftime.

East Jordan punted and Grayling started at the 50. On first down Tobin threw to Zigila for 34 yards. Runs by Schwartz and Jensen gained 11 yards. On 1st and goal, Tobin completed a five-yard TD pass to McClanahan. The Vikings led 34-6.

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Volleyball team moves to 4-0 in league with two more wins

Vikings defeat Boyne City, Traverse City St. Francis

The GHS varsity girls volleyball team improved its conference record to 4-0 with series victories vs. Traverse City St. Francis and Boyne City last week.

Grayling hosted Boyne City on Thursday night. The Vikings trailed the Ramblers 24-17 late in game one of the series. They rallied to score five consecutive points, pulling within two, but Boyne City won the match 25-22.

Grayling took game two 27-25 to tie the series at 1-1. In another close game, the Vikings edged Boyne City 25-23 in game three.

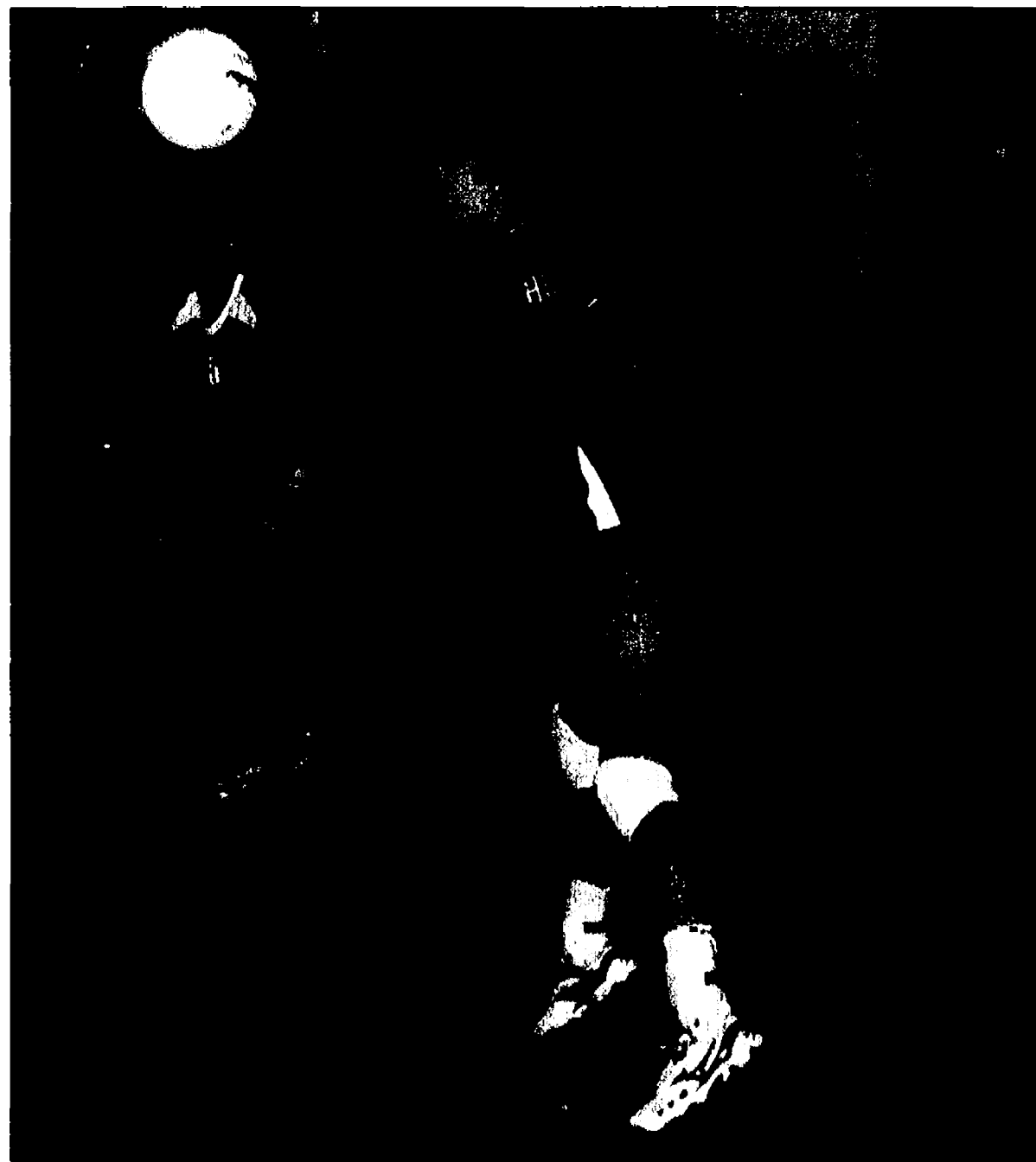
After three games that were decided by three points or fewer, Grayling jumped out to a big lead early in game four. The Vikings led 10-3, extended their advantage to 17-5, and finished the match with a 25-9 series-clinching victory.

Josie Swander led the team in assists with 37. Rachel Cooper had 20 kills, six digs, and four blocks. Cara Miller had three aces and seven kills. Stanna Dorn had six kills and four blocks.

"Elaine DesEnfants played solid defense and serve received at 100 percent," Coach Jessica Szymoniak said.

The 3-1 win vs. Boyne City improved Grayling's record in Lake Michigan Conference matches to 4-0.

"Boyne City is a very solid team; they See **VOLLEYBALL** | Pg. 3B



Elaine DesEnfants hits the ball for the Vikings on Thursday night.

Photo by Caleb Casey

Freshman, JV volleyball teams defeat Ramblers

The GHS freshman and junior varsity volleyball squads defeated the visiting Boyne City Ramblers in best-of-three series played at Grayling High School last Thursday. **Page 2B**



Rachel Money hits the ball for Grayling's JV volleyball team on Thursday vs. Boyne City.

JV Vikings win 60-6 vs. East Jordan

They're still undefeated. Grayling High School's junior varsity football squad improved its season record to 5-0 with a 60-6 victory vs. the visiting East Jordan Red Devils on Thursday night. **Page 4B**



Peyton Zigila catches a pass that he eventually took into the end zone for a TD vs. East Jordan.

Soccer team wins 7-0 vs. Kalkaska

Seven different varsity boys soccer players scored a goal for the Grayling Vikings during a 7-0 league win vs. the Kalkaska Blazers on Wednesday night. The contest, a home game for Grayling, was played at the Crawford County Sports Complex. **Page 9B**



John Hilbrecht takes a throw-in for the Vikings on Wednesday night vs. Kalkaska.

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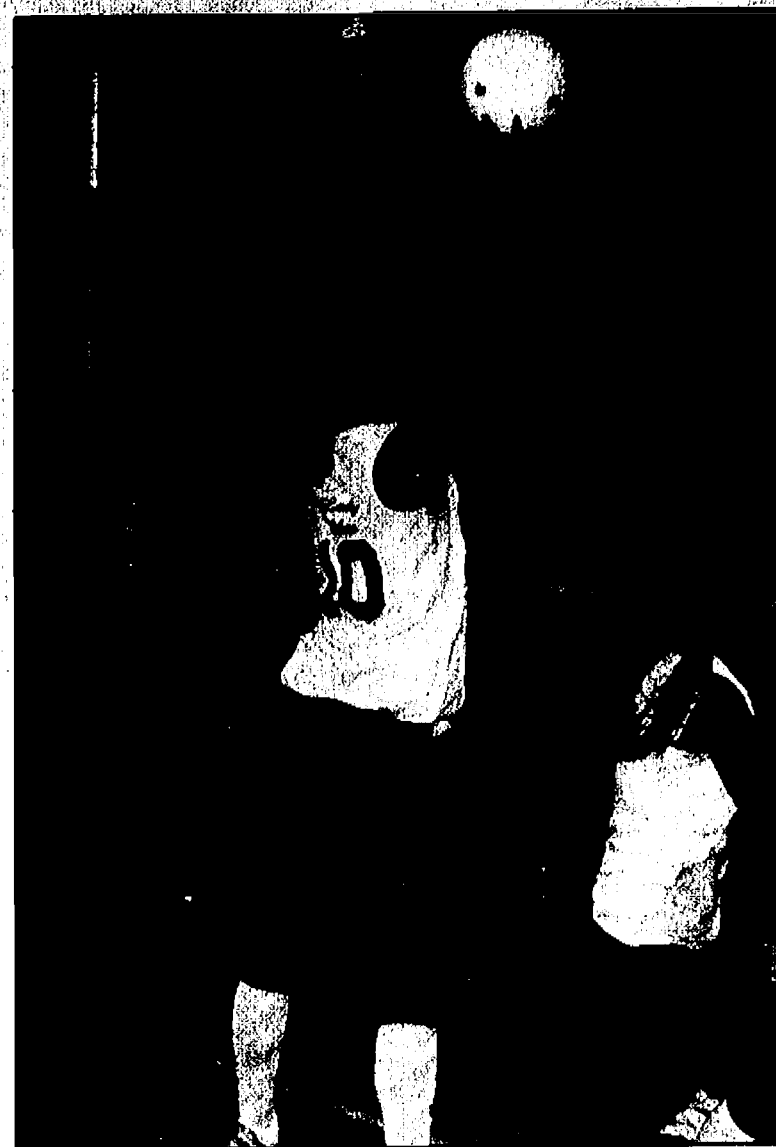
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Makayla Cragg, left, hits the ball for the JV Vikings vs. Boyne City on Thursday night. Josey Hinkle, right, hits the ball over the net from the front row.

Freshman, JV volleyball teams defeat Ramblers

The GHS freshman and junior varsity volleyball squads defeated the visiting Boyne City Ramblers in best-of-three series played at Grayling High School last Thursday.

The freshman squad clinched its series victory with wins in the first two games. Grayling won 27-25, 25-11. Boyne City won game three 15-10.

In the JV series Boyne City took the first game. Grayling tied the series at 1-1 with a 25-20 victory in game two.

The Vikings trailed 10-3 early in game three, but they rallied to tie the contest at 12-12, eventually winning the match by a final score of 25-18.

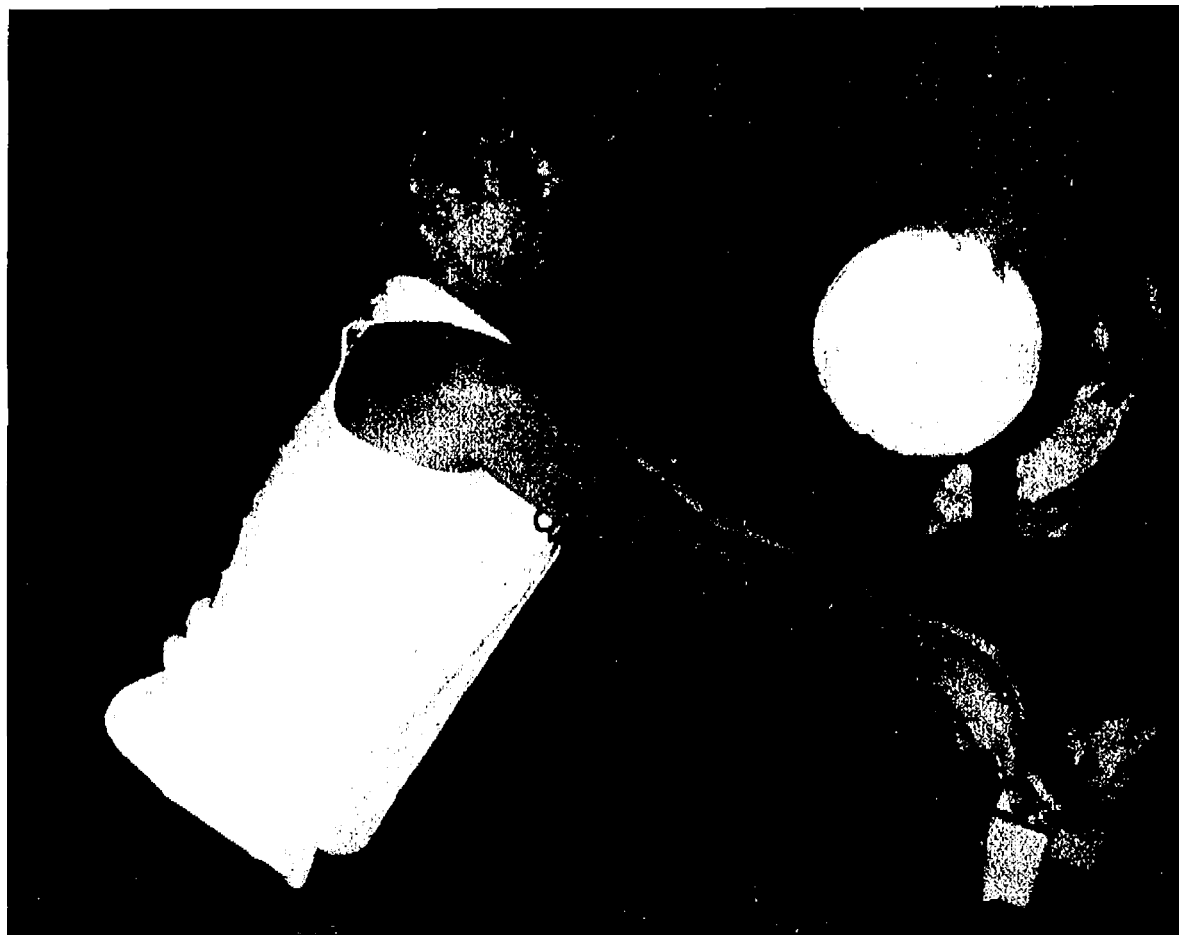
The series win improved Grayling's record in league matches to 3-1.

On Tuesday night the JV squad lost 2-1 at Traverse City St. Francis. St. Francis won game one 25-18. Grayling took game two (25-14). Traverse City St. Francis won the series with a 25-14 victory in game three.

The JV volleyball team swept the Blazers 3-0 at Kalkaska on Thursday, Sept. 15. The Vikings posted scores of 25-15, 25-14, and 25-19.

"We are starting to come together as a team, which is very exciting; however, there is still a lot of work to do and improvements to be made," Coach Britt Tunney said.

The GHS volleyball teams will host East Jordan on Thursday, Sept. 29, at 6 p.m.



Marilyn Jankowski fields a Boyne City serve for the JV squad.



Courtney Hatfield hits the ball for the JV team on Thursday.

Golfers place 5th at Traverse City tournament

The GHS girls golf squad placed fifth out of 11 teams at the Traverse City Central Invitational, an 18-hole tournament, on Friday.

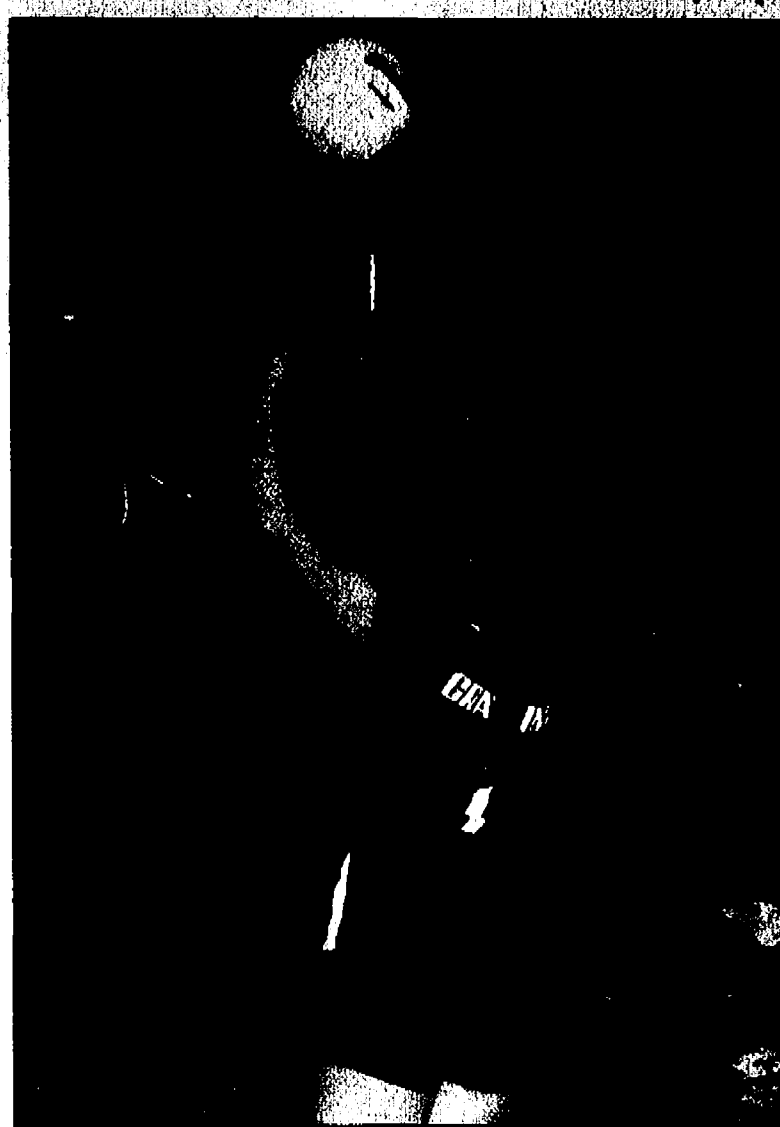
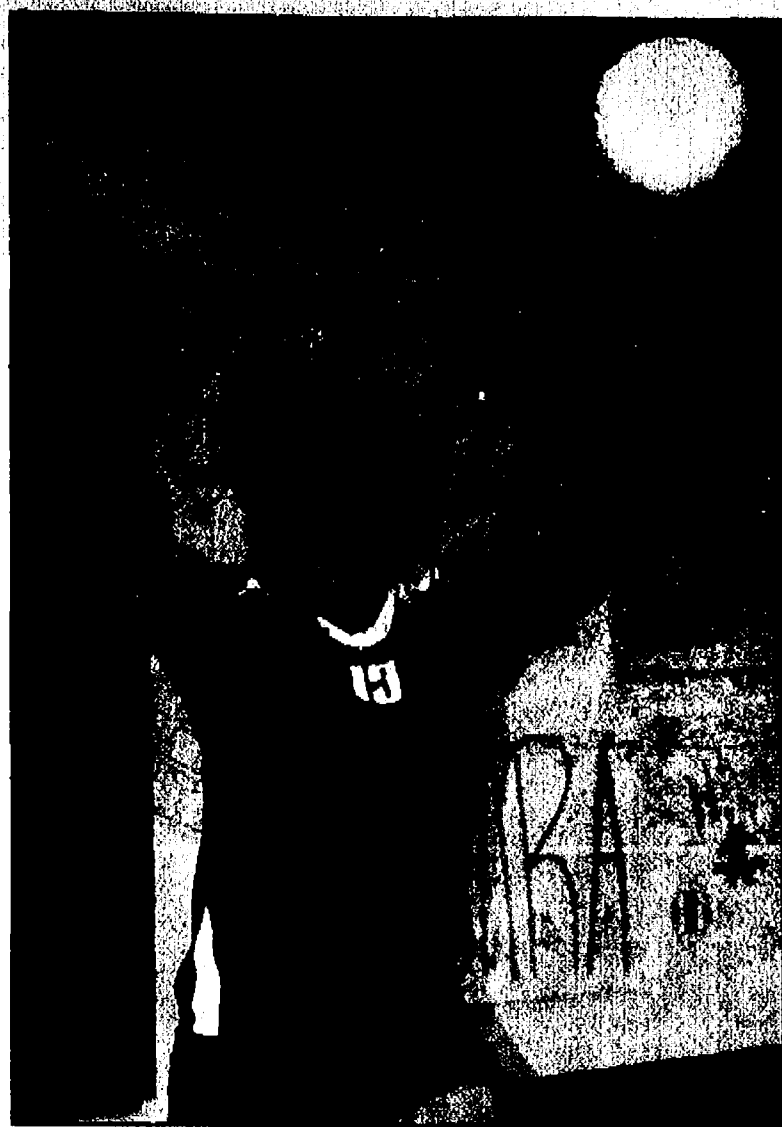
Team scores: 1st, Traverse City Central, 357; 2nd, Traverse City West, 375; 3rd, Alpena, 391; 4th, Petoskey, 408; 5th, Grayling, 418; 6th, Cheboygan, 422; 7th, Big Rapids, 438; 8th, Traverse City St. Francis, 443; 9th, Clio, 453; 10th, Gaylord St. Mary, 461; and 11th, Manistee, 463.

Individual scores for GHS: (varsity) #1 Heather Ruddy, 110; #2 Whitney Schans, 101; #3 Angie Rouston, 106; #4 Natalie Woodley, 104; #5 Logan Miller, 107; #6 Elle Smith, 127; (JV) Kaitlin Adamski, 120; Carly Duncley, 160; Sofia Garcia Hernandez, 149.

"Although we placed fifth in this tournament our score was nowhere near where we want to be as a team. Our #2-#5 girls

played about as consistent as can be, but we expect to be under 400 as a team in every invitational that we play in. I would like our team to be able to compete at the highest level at each and every tournament that we enter, but there are definitely going to be days like today where we falter a bit as a team," Coach Scott Baker said.

"Overall, our fifth place finish proved to be a successful tourney for us and we'll continue to work on lowering our scores. By making a few minor adjustments in a couple of the girls' swings we will continue to see lower scores in the coming weeks," Coach Baker said. "Kaitlin Adamski had her lowest 18-hole score of the season with a 120, good for a medal for JV players. She played extremely consistent today and did a great job managing her way around the course."



Photos by Caleb Casey

Rachel Cooper, left, serves for the Vikings vs. Boyne City on Thursday. Josie Swander, right, sets the ball for Grayling.

Volleyball team moves to 4-0 in league with two more wins

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have a great young middle hitter and digged everything we tried to put down," Coach Szymoniak said. "But our kids kept fighting and persisted in their game play and walked away with the win. I am very proud of them."

On Tuesday night Grayling won its third league meet of the season, sweeping the Traverse City St. Francis Gladiators 3-0 in a series played in Traverse City. Grayling won 25-16, 25-14, 25-21.

Cooper had 10 kills, 14 digs, and three aces for GHS. Miller had five kills. Swander had five kills, eight digs, and 27 assists. Stanna Dorn had five kills and seven digs. Shanley Dorn had three aces. DesEnfants served received at 100 percent and had seven digs.

"It was a team effort. Everyone played and everyone contributed," Coach Szymoniak said. "Josie moved the ball around and our offense got quicker. We executed our offense

Vikings win Grayling Invitational

Grayling High School's varsity volleyball team won the Grayling Invitational tournament on Saturday.

The Vikings came out of pool play in second place; the Vikings defeated Joburg, Bellaire, and Gaylord 2-0 and split with Kingsley and Roscommon.

Grayling played Gaylord in the semi-finals and Kingsley and Roscommon played on the other side. The Vikings defeated Gaylord 2-1 (23-25, 25-17, 15-6) to advance to the finals vs. Kingsley. The Vikings lost the first game 25-18. Grayling won game two 25-18, sending the series to a third game. The Vikings won the final match 17-15 to clinch the tournament title.

"The kids were tired, but their desire to win prevailed. Two of their goals this season is to defend their home court

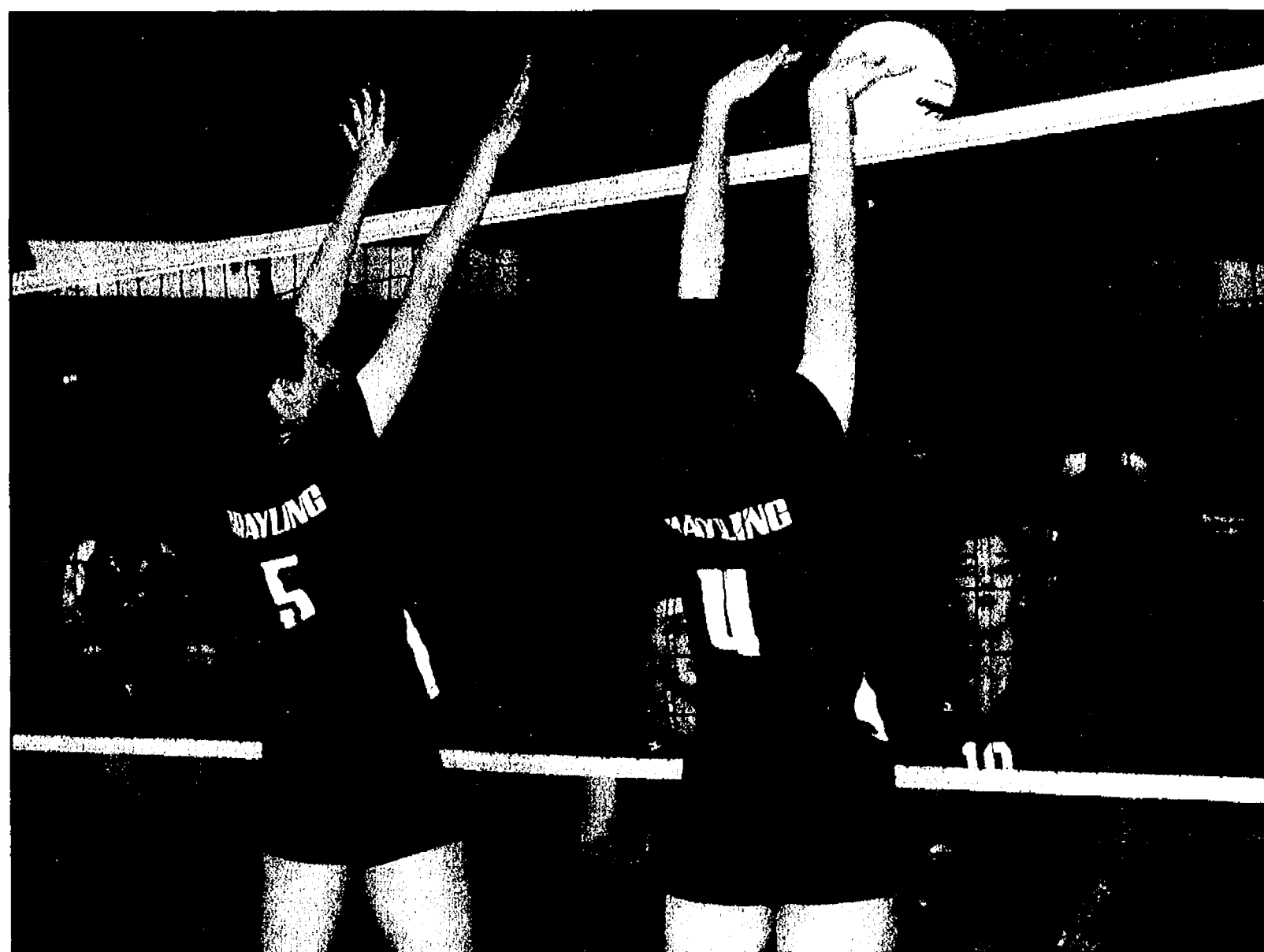
and win a tournament; they accomplished both this weekend, winning the tournament. The kids played great and I am so proud of their accomplishments thus far," Coach Jessica Szymoniak said.

Rachel Cooper led the Vikings with 64 kills and 9 aces. Josie Swander had 123 assists, 5 aces, and 34 digs. Elaine DesEnfants had 49 digs. Cierra Prosser led the team with 4 blocks and added 16 kills. Cara Miller had 30 kills. Stanna Dorn had 20 kills and 32 digs.

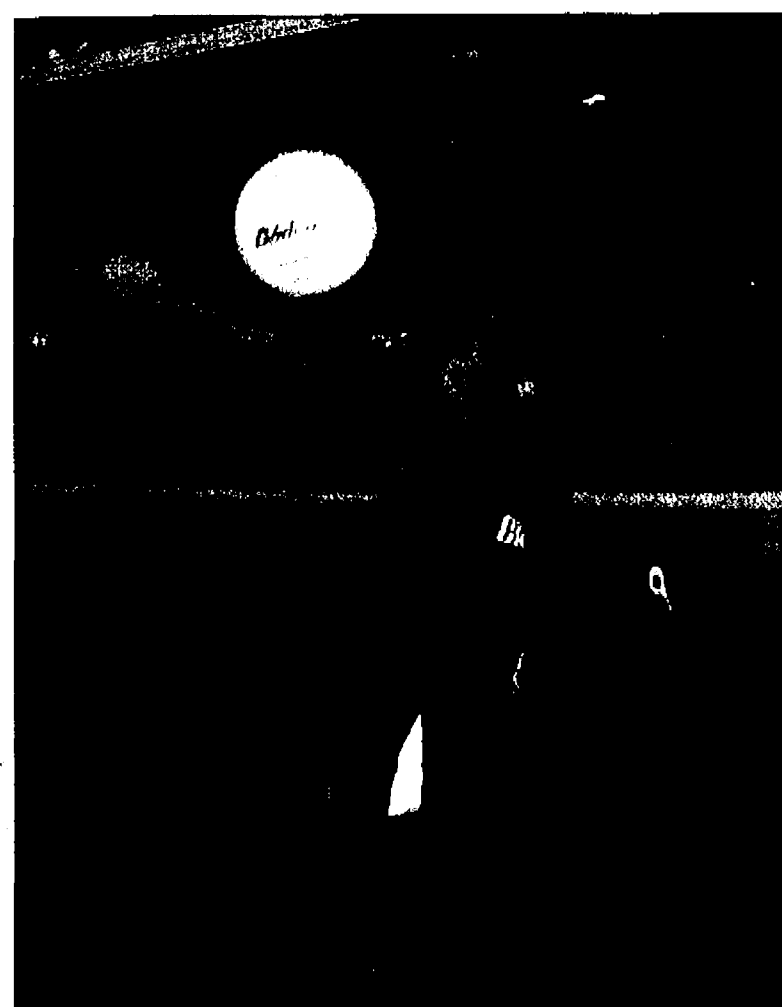
"August Ledesma, Sarah Goodyear, Stanna Dorn, and Shanley Dorn serve received at 100 percent. Madi Junttila had a great day serving, only missing one serve out of her 49 attempts. The day was a whole team effort," Coach Szymoniak said.

and defense perfectly. The kids played great and I am very proud of their focus and determination this season."

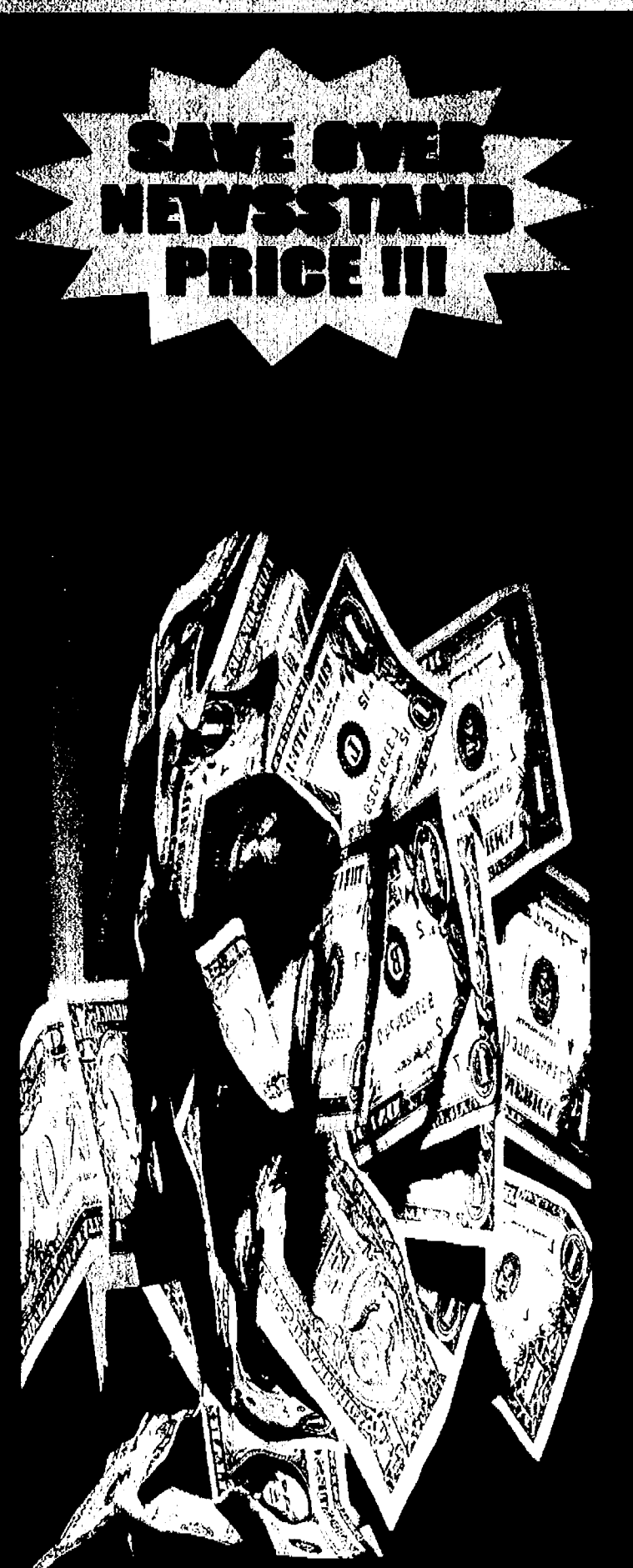
Grayling (9-1-2 overall, 4-0 league) will host East Jordan - another conference opponent - on Thursday, Sept. 29.



Stanna Dorn, left, and Shanley Dorn, right, go up for a block attempt during last week's league volleyball series vs. Boyne City.



Cierra Prosser, left, hits the ball for Grayling on Thursday night vs. the Ramblers. Cara Miller, right, tosses the ball up for a serve.



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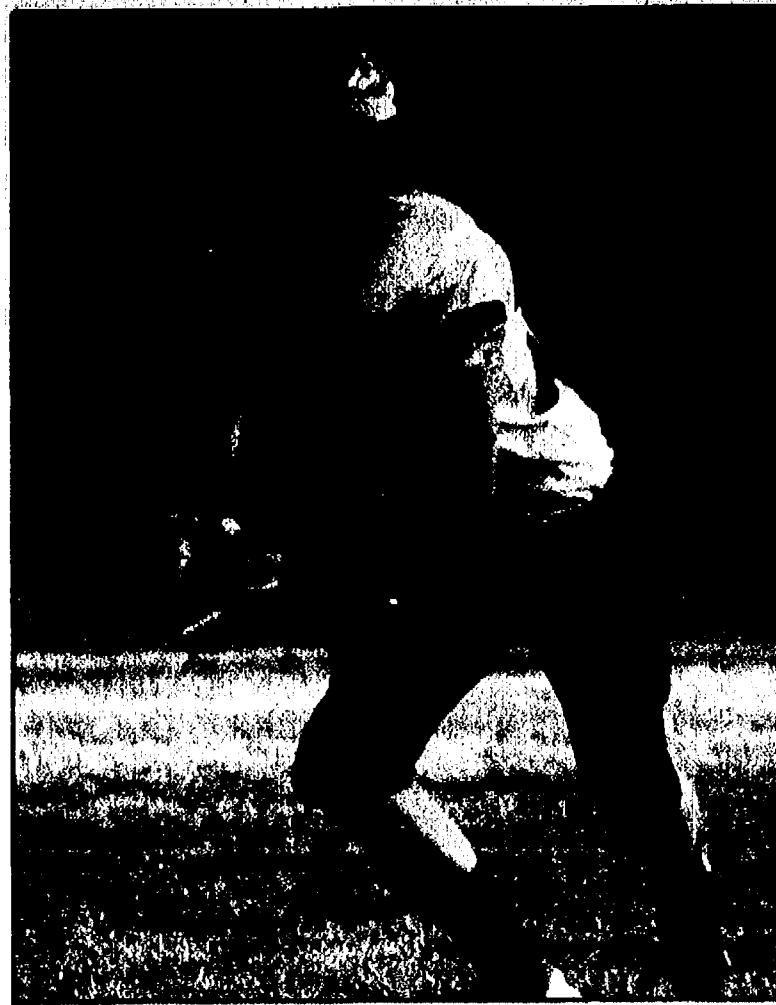
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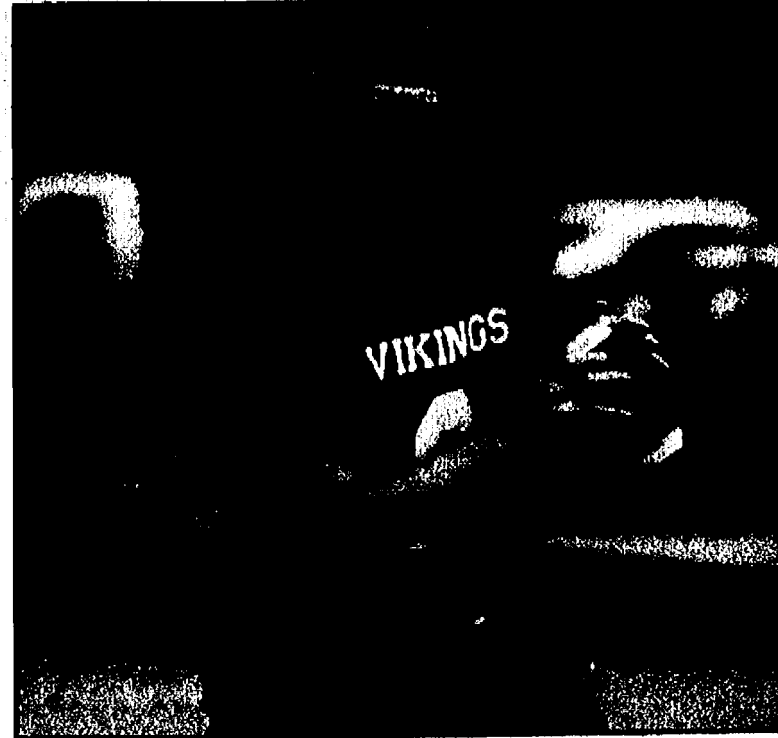
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Quarterback Zane Tobin, left, looks for an open receiver during Friday's game at East Jordan. Riley Zigila, right, runs with the ball on a kickoff return vs. the Red Devils.



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Quarterback Jake Swander surveys the field during a play on Thursday night.

JV Vikings win 60-6 vs. East Jordan

Football team still unbeaten at 5-0

They're still undefeated. Grayling High School's junior varsity football squad improved its season record to 5-0 with a 60-6 victory vs. the visiting East Jordan Red Devils on Thursday night.

The Vikings had 380 yards of offense in the contest (222 passing, 158 rushing).

Quarterback Jake Swander completed 9 of 12 passes for 167 yards and three TDs. Scout Tobin completed three passes for 55 yards and two TDs; he also rushed for 95 yards on nine carries. Zach Cheney carried the ball 11 times for 45 yards and one TD.

Brandon Latusek had three catches for 71 yards and one TD. Peyton Zigila caught three passes, including one for a TD, for 66 yards. Darin Nicholas

caught two passes, both for TDs, for 55 yards. Dylan Wyman had three receptions for 24 yards and one TD.

On defense, Wyman had 15 tackles. William Romain had nine tackles, an interception (that he returned for a TD), and one fumble recovery. Jeff Myers had eight tackles and one sack. Tyler Wyman had eight tackles and one fumble recovery. Emmett Helsel had five tackles and three pancakes.

"Breakout game for Zach Cheney at running back. Our freshmen are really starting to pick it up," said Assistant Coach Ron Wyman.

The JV team (5-0 overall, 3-0 league) will play at Elk Rapids at 6 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 29.



Brandon Latusek, with flag, leads the JV Vikings into the stadium on Thursday.

Vikings stay unbeaten with 41-6 victory at East Jordan

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East Jordan punted on 4th and 7 and Grayling started at midfield. Tobin threw to Jensen for 13 yards on 1st and 10. Schwartz rushed for 16 yards on 3rd and 8. Grayling lost yardage on a holding penalty. On 3rd and 17, Tobin completed a 24-yard TD pass to Zigila. Harris kicked the extra point. GHS led 41-6 with 1:07 left in the third period.

The Red Devils punted on 4th and 15. Grayling killed approximately six minutes of the fourth period with an eight-play series that ended with a punt.

GHS won 41-6.

Tobin finished with 278 yards and four passing TDs. Zigila caught six passes for 84 yards and two TDs. Jensen had three catches for 62 yards and one TD. Parkinson had 43 receiving yards, Schwartz had 31, and Junttila had 28. Schwartz rushed for 64 yards and one TD. Jensen finished with 44 rushing yards.

On defense, Dean had nine tackles and Harris had nine tackles.

"We were disappointed with the slow start, but happy with the quick scores we were able to string together. We were able to spread the ball around to seven different receivers and open

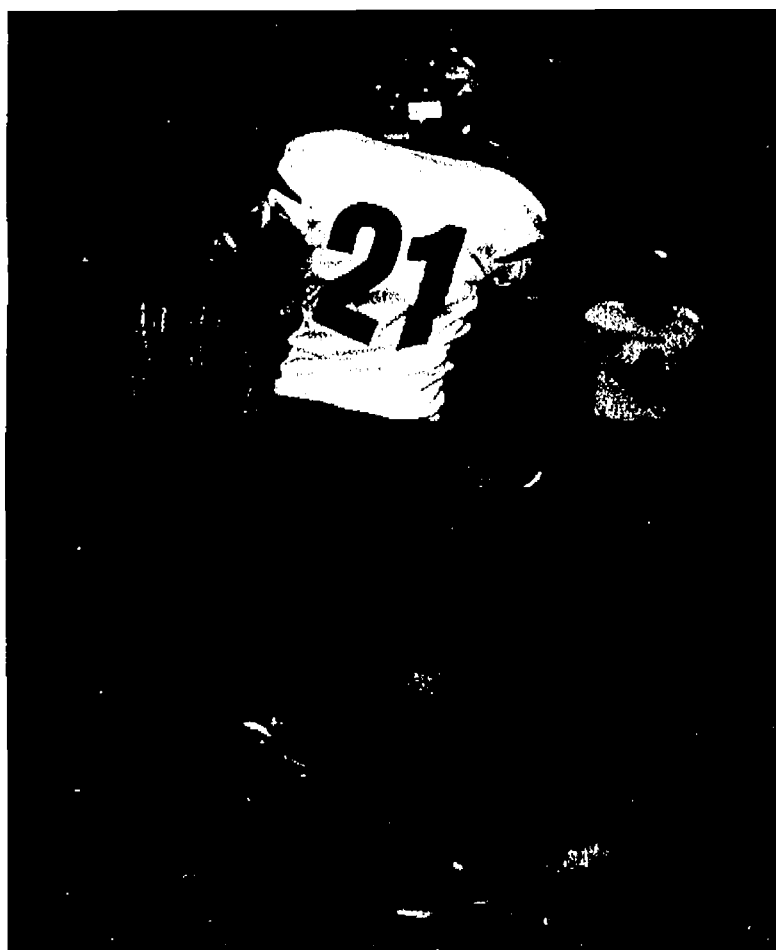
up some running lanes," Coach Tim Sanchez said. "Defensively, we were excited about our effort. Our tackling seems to be getting better, but still needs to be tightened up a bit."

The Vikings (5-0 overall, 3-0 league) will host Elk Rapids (1-4 overall, 1-2 league) at 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 30.

"(This) week will be a huge test for us. Elk Rapids has beaten us the last five times we've played. They have had our number, so our boys know we will need to bring our 'A' game to knock them off," Coach Sanchez said.



Ty Jensen, left, carries the ball for the Vikings on Friday night. Justice Junttila, right, catches a pass for Grayling at East Jordan last week.



Legal Action

NOTICE

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY US AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Edward C. Robinson II and Barbara M. Robinson, husband and wife, Mortgagees, to Green Tree Financial Servicing Corporation A/K/A Green Tree Servicing LLC, Mortgagee, dated the 6th day of October, 1997 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for The County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 8th day of October, 1997 in Liber 439 of Crawford County Records, page 409, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Fifty Eight Thousand Forty & 03/100 (\$58,040.03), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 2nd day of November, 2011 at 10:00 o'clock AM Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the County Bldg. in Grayling MI (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 10.490% per annum and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land, including any and all structures, and homes, manufactured or otherwise, located thereon, situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit: A parcel of land located in the Southeast 1/4 of Section 26, Town 27 North, Range 2 West, being more fully described as follows: the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4, SUBJECT TO A 26.00 foot easement along the Easterly side for County Road right-of-way. During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may

be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale. Dated: 9/29/2011 Green Tree Servicing LLC Mortgagee FABRIZIO & BROOK, P.C. Attorney for Green Tree Servicing LLC 888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 800 Troy, MI 48064 248-362-2600 GTNC RobinsonEd

-29-6-13-20

NOTICE

FORECLOSURE NOTICE (ALL COUNTIES) AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Gary K. Longfellow, A.K.A. Gary Longfellow, and Alexandra Longfellow, A.K.A. Alexandra Longfellow, husband and wife of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagee to The Huntington National Bank dated the 23rd day of April, 2004, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 4th day of May, 2004, in Liber 667, Page 997 of Crawford Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of

this notice, for principal of \$72,257.90 (seventy-two thousand two hundred fifty-seven and 90/100) plus accrued interest at 5.99% (five point nine nine) percent per annum. And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 19th day of October, 2011, at 10:00:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the County Bldg in Grayling, MI, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Grayling, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: Situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 34, T27N, R2W, for a point of beginning thence North 24 rods; thence West 13 half rods; thence South 24 rods; thence East 13 half rods to the point of beginning. Being a part of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 34, T27N, R2W. Commonly known as: 21 N Wakeley Bridge Rd Tax Parcel No.: 040-43-034-16-020-00

The redemption period shall be six months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: September 15, 2011 By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938) Attorney for Plaintiff Weltman, Weinberg, and Reis 2155 Butterfield Drive Suite 200-S Troy, MI 48064 WWR# 10078824

-15-22-29-6

NOTICE

OneTimePubNotice AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. Amanda J. Mertes, A.K.A. Amanda Jo Mertes, and Harold Jay Mertes, wife and husband have defaulted on a Mortgage for the real property known as: 406 Mikado Street, Grayling, MI 49738 This Notice is to inform you that you have the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The Real Estate Default Group of Weltman, Weinberg & Reis, Co., L.P.A., has been designated by them as the person to contact who has authority to determine your eligibility for a mortgage modification. Amanda J. Mertes A.K.A. Amanda Jo Mertes and Harold Jay Mertes, III A.K.A.

Harold Jay Mertes may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's (MSHDA) website at www.michigan.gov/mshda or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at (866) 946-7432. That if Amanda J. Mertes A.K.A. Amanda Jo Mertes and Harold Jay Mertes, III A.K.A. Harold Jay Mertes request a meeting with the person designated above, within 14 days, foreclosure proceedings will not commence until 90 days after the date a notice was mailed to them. That if Amanda J. Mertes A.K.A. Amanda Jo Mertes and Harold Jay Mertes, III A.K.A. Harold Jay Mertes and the designated person reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if Amanda J. Mertes A.K.A. Amanda Jo Mertes and Harold Jay Mertes, III A.K.A. Harold Jay Mertes abide by the terms of the agreement. Amanda J. Mertes A.K.A. Amanda Jo Mertes and Harold Jay Mertes, III A.K.A. Harold Jay Mertes have the right to contact an attorney. You may contact the State Bar of Michigan Lawyer referral service (800) 968-0738. Dated: September 29, 2011 By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938) Attorney for Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., L.P.A., 2155 Butterfield Drive, Suite 200-S Troy, MI 48064 WWR# 10080154

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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by TODD E. SHIELDS, a single man, of 7283 Shields Lane, P.O. Box 764, Grayling, Michigan 49738 to FIRST FEDERAL OF NORTHERN MICHIGAN, 100 South Second Avenue, Alpena, Michigan 49707, dated April 14, 2005, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan, on April 19, 2005 in Liber 675, Page 44, on which there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal, interest and late fees, the sum of \$121,591.70.

As no suit or other legal proceedings have been filed to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage; Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage, and pursuant to the statutes of the State of Michigan, NOTICE is hereby given that on Wednesday, the 2nd day of November, 2011 at 10:00 o'clock a.m. the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder, at the main entrance to the County Courthouse in the City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan of that premises described in the mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, on the mortgage, with interest thereon at the contract rate and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sums which may be paid by the mortgagee to protect its interest in the premises. The premises are described as follows:

Situated in the Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, described as: PARCEL F: The South 332 feet of the North 664 feet of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 7, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

PARCEL G: The North 332 feet of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 7, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan.

PARCEL E: The South 332 feet of the North 996 feet of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 7, Town 25 North, Range 2 West. Affidavit of Affixture of Manufactured Home for 2003 Dutch Millennium mobile home, Serial Number DHIN37987E, recorded April 28, 2005, in Liber 675, Page 194, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be one (1) year from the date of the sale unless the property is determined to be abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a.

BODMAN PLC

Dated: September 29, 2011
By:
Sandra L. Jasinski (P37430)
Debt Collector for First Federal of Northern Michigan
229 Court Street, P.O. Box 405
Cheboygan, MI 49721
(231) 627-8000

-29-6-13-20-27

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Philip L. Lewis a married man and Ramona Lewis, his wife, original mortgagor(s), to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Mortgagee, dated May 9, 2006, and recorded on May 11, 2006 in Liber 681 on Page 446, and modified by Affidavit or Order executed on June 30, 2011 and received by and recorded, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-Seven Thousand Thirty-Six and 04/100 Dollars (\$77,036.04), including interest at 6.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on October 26, 2011. Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County,

Michigan, and are described as: Lot 4, Block 3, O. M. Barnes Addition to the Village (now city) of Grayling, Crawford County Michigan, according to the recorded Plat in Liber 1 of Plats, page 5 Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 22, 2011
For more information, please call:
FC S (248) 593-1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #320536F02

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by William G. Moshier, A Single Man, original mortgagor(s), to Financial Freedom Senior Funding Corporation, a Subsidiary of IndyMac Bank, F.S.B. Mortgagee, dated November 17, 2006, and recorded on November 30, 2006 in Liber 684 on Page 370, and assigned by mesne assignments to Financial Freedom Acquisition LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thousand Four Hundred One and 41/100 Dollars (\$100,401.41), including interest at 1.71% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on October 19, 2011. Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 4, Pinecrest Subdivision, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Recorded Plat thereof, as Recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 1, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 15, 2011
For more information, please call:
FC F (248) 593-1313
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #376337F01

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas Crandall aka Thomas L. Crandall, married and Judith Crandall, married, joint tenants with rights of survivorship, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to North Michigan Financial Services, Mortgagee, dated February 28, 2002, and recorded on March 6, 2002 in Liber 572 on Page 346, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to CitiMortgage, Inc. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-One Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Eight and 58/100 Dollars (\$61,568.58), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County,

at 10:00 AM, on October 26, 2011. Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The East 40 feet of Lot 12, Block 14, Original Plat of the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 2, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 22, 2011
For more information, please call:
FC C (248) 593-1301
Trott & Trott, P.C.
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31440 Northwestern Highway,
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mary G. Callewact, An Unmarried Woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated June 23, 2008, and recorded on June 27, 2008 in Liber 692 on Page 170, and assigned by said Mortgagee to PHH Mortgage Corporation as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Fourteen and 77/100 Dollars (\$14,014.77), including interest at 6.378% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on October 19, 2011. Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: All that part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 22, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, Lying on the West side of the County Road, known as the Wakeley Road

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 15, 2011
For more information, please call:
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by William George Garrod, unmarried, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 2, 2007, and recorded on November 19, 2007 in Liber 689 on Page 282, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Nationstar Mortgage LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twelve Thousand Fifty-Six and 00/100 Dollars (\$112,056.00), including interest at 2% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on October 12, 2011. Said premises are situated in Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The North 660 feet of the East 330 feet of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 22, Town 28 North, Range 3 West.

The redemption period shall be 12

months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 8, 2011
For more information, please call:
FC H (248) 593-1300
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #377308F01

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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jo Ann Foerster and Melody Robinson, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, dated October 28, 2005, and recorded on November 4, 2005 in Liber 678 on Page 284, and assigned by said Mortgagee to The Bank of New York Mellon fka The Bank of New York as Trustee for the Certificateholders of the CWABS, INC., Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2005-17 as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-One Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Six and 55/100 Dollars (\$81,336.55), including interest at 8.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on November 2, 2011.

Said premises are situated in Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The North 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 28, Town 28 North, Range 1 West. The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: September 29, 2011
For more information, please call:
FC X (248) 593-1302
Trott & Trott, P.C.

-29-6-13-20

NOTICE OF SALE

Default has been made in the condition of a certain mortgage made the 22nd day of February, 2007, by Joseph L. Johnson and Barbara J. Johnson to Northwestern Mortgage Company, and recorded on February 26, 2007, in the office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber 685, Page 439, which was assigned to Northwestern Bank by Assignment of Mortgage recorded at Liber 685, page 440, and on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice TWO HUNDRED FORTY-NINE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT AND 19/100 DOLLARS (\$249,478.19) and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity has been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt, secured by said mortgage, and the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative by reason of such default.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 19, 2011, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon in the lobby of the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said mortgage, together with legal costs and charges of sale, including an attorney fee of Seventy-Five (\$75.00) Dollars provided by law and in said mortgage, the lands and premises in said mortgage mentioned and described as follows, to wit:

Lot 49, EAST BRANCH ESTATES, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 02 of Plats, Page 08, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from date of sale; provided, however, that if the subject premises are heretofore or hereafter conclusively presumed to have been abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, the applicable period for redemption shall be thirty (30) days from said date, or otherwise shortened, in accordance with that statute.

Dated: September 8, 2011
NORTHWESTERN BANK
Mortgagee

CALCUTT ROGERS & BOYNTON
by: Jack E. Boynton (P23137)
109 E. Front Street, Suite 300
Traverse City, MI 49684

-15-22-29-6

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT CRAWFORD COUNTY NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

FILE NO. 11-7951-DE
Estate Darlene May Latuszek Date of birth: 09/11/1938.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Darlene May Latuszek, who lived at 207 Evergreen Dr., Grayling, Michigan died 07/29/2011.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Bonita R. Wolf, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date 9-11-2011

Personal representative
Bonita R. Wolf
51285 Elly
Chesterfield, MI 48051
586-949-7929

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT CRAWFORD COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT - FAMILY DIVISION PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING

FILE NO. 11-7933-NC
In the matter of SVEN ANTHONY STUART

TAKE NOTICE: A Hearing will be held on a Petition for Name Change:
Date: Thursday, October 27, 2011
Time: 11:30 a.m.
Place: Crawford County Probate Court
Petitioner: Sven Anthony Stuart
Proposed Name Change: Seven Anthony Stuart

9/20/11

Petitioner name
Sven Anthony Stuart
604 Smith St.
Grayling, MI 49738

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NOTICE PURSUANT TO MCL 600.3205a(4)

NOTICE is hereby provided to Linda Lepper and Donald Lepper, the borrowers and/or mortgagors (hereinafter "Borrower") regarding the property located at: 2889 Manistee River Road, Frederic, MI 49733.

The Borrower has the right to request a meeting with the mortgage holder or mortgage servicer. The agent designated by the Mortgage Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder to contact and that has authority to make agreements under MCL sections 600.3205b and 600.3205c is: Trott & Trott, P.C., 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 at (248) 593-1311

The Borrower may contact a housing counselor by visiting the Michigan State Housing Development Authority's website or by calling the Michigan State Housing Development Authority at http://www.michigan.gov/mshda or at (866) 946-7432.

If the Borrower requests a meeting with the agent designated above by contacting an approved housing counselor within 14 days from September 23, 2011, foreclosure proceedings will not be commenced until 90 days after September 23, 2011.

If the Borrower and the agent designated above reach an agreement to modify the mortgage loan, the mortgage will not be foreclosed if the Borrower abides by the terms of the agreement.

The Borrower has the right to contact an attorney. The telephone number of the State Bar of Michigan's Lawyer Referral Service is (800) 968-0738.

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT.

ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Date: September 29, 2011
For more information, please call:
FC J (248) 593-1311

Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525
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Public Notice to all Frederic Township Residents

The Frederic Township Planning Commission will be holding a special meeting on October 3, 2011 at 6:00 pm at the Frederic Township Hall located at 6470 Manistee Street in Frederic. They will be discussing the camper ordinance, FEMA flood insurance ordinance, property splits in platted subdivisions, increasing the size of signs allowed in certain districts and anything else that come in front of the board.

Douglas J. Pratt
Frederic Township
Zoning Administrator

Grayling Charter Township Zoning Board To hold public hearing

The Grayling Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will meet in public session on Monday, October 17th, 2011, at 7 p.m. in the town hall to hear public comment on the following requests:

Case # 11-08 Request for variance

Petitioner: Jeanne Fisher Prevost & Stanley E. Prevost (Harry Fisher RLT)
Address: PO Box 349
Grayling, MI 49738
Local Address: 3398 Twin Pine Road
Grayling, MI 49738
Property ID# 040-40-003-09-040-00
Zoning: NRD - Natural River District
Lot size: Approx. 310-ft X 1,705-ft or 12.13 acres
Request: Demolish existing building due to mold and structural integrity, and erect larger home over current footprint. The closest point of construction to the AuSable River will remain 74-feet plus a 12-foot rise in bank, requiring a front variance of 114-feet.

Non-conformances: None
Zoning justification: Ordinance 2010-02, Section 16.05.A

The public is encouraged to attend this hearing.

Text and maps of requests are on file in the township offices and are available for public review during normal working hours. The Grayling Township offices and meeting room are located at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling. Questions pertaining to this request may be directed to the Grayling Township Zoning Administrator at the town hall, or by calling (989) 348-4361.

Terry Wright
Supervisor/Zoning Administrators

Features

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A Look At Our Past FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



September 29, 1988 - Pre-schooler Forrest Thompson finishes his breakfast of blueberry pancakes at the Mercy Child Care Center. This agency, the Crawford AuSable Day Care and Grayling Co-operative Nursery are funded by the 1988 United Way drive.

23 Years Ago September 29, 1988

Parents of kindergarten students at the Grayling Elementary School rejected the offer by the school district to add another kindergarten class in Frederic to reduce current class sizes. The Crawford AuSable School District's (CASD) offer was contingent on 19 parents agreeing to have their children transferred from the Grayling Elementary School to the Frederic Elementary School.

According to Melvin (Pat) Nunn, Grayling Elementary School Principal, not one parent responded to the letters sent by the CASD asking for volunteers.

Grayling resident Jerry Pratt shot his first bear with a bow on Sept. 16, the opening day of bear hunting season. The black bear, which weighed 380 pounds dressed, was killed in Crawford County with a single shot through the lungs.

The Grayling Vikings

football team traveled to Charlevoix, Sept. 23, and were defeated 39 - 14, by a ready Red Raider football team. Charlevoix took a big lead in the first half, scoring twice in the first quarter and three times in the second quarter to lead at halftime 33 - 0.

The Grayling J.V. football team hosted their counterparts from Charlevoix and came away with a 41 - 14 victory.

46 Years Ago September 30, 1965

The Peterson Hardware Company last week sold the vacant property between it and the North Michigan Land and Oil Company building to Mr. Irving DuPree of South Lyon and rural Grayling. Ground was broken last week on the lot, for the erection of a 30 x 60 one story cement block building which will house a billiard parlor. Mr. DuPree states there will be six tables for play when the project is complete.

Melinda Bancroft happily celebrated her 6th birthday with 15 of her classmates. Prizes for the games played were won by Scott Fick, Caron LaMotte and Becky Hildebrandt.

69 Years Ago October 1, 1942

Showing plenty of power

in the first half, the Grayling High School football team defeated a strong Lake City last Friday in the home opener at the Tourist Park 14 - 6. The veteran captains Clark and Ross Thompson led the backfield with some nice running. Sandy Thompson played the fullback position and Gierke, Entsminger, Smock and Corwin filled in at Gildner's old post at right halfback.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Duby and four little daughters of Lovells have moved to Grayling to make their home and are living in the Burns house on Spruce Street.

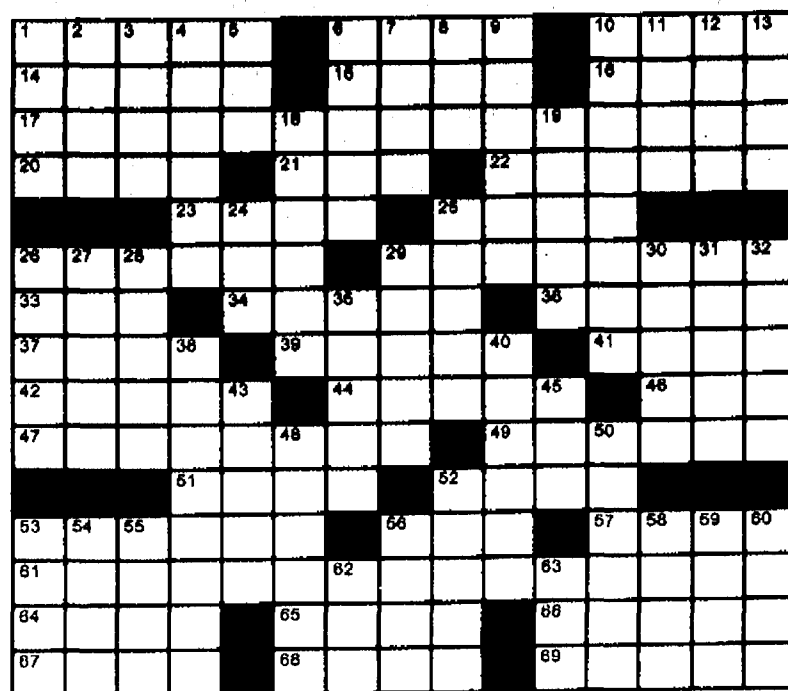
Mrs. Ernest Lovely Sr. gave a surprise party for her son, Ernest Jr., to celebrate his 7th birthday. Prizes for games were won by Monty Malonen and Clyde Weiss. Ice cream and cake were served to the 16 little guests present.

92 Years Ago October 2, 1919

Miss Leelah Skinner is the new clerk at the Frank Dreese store.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Trudeau moved here from Onaway Sunday and were the guests of their daughter, Mrs. Charles Sullivan and family.

CROSSWORD



Across

1. Boito's Mefistofele, e.g.
6. High-five, e.g.
10. Strong fiber
14. Boredom
15. Engine sound
16. Advt target
17. Phrases with two meanings
20. Kind of palm
21. Chair part
22. Accost
23. Away
25. Opera star
26. Willy ____, former West Germany chancellor
29. Shrewish
33. Back muscle, familiarly
34. Theological rationalism
36. Parkinson's treatment
37. Father of Balder
39. Appliance that removes moisture
41. Move through water
42. Drunk, in slang
44. Baddies
46. "____ Ng" (They Might Be Giants song)
47. Nighttime travel stop (2 wd)
49. Ryegrass
51. Pay (up)
52. Quaker's "you"
53. Feral feline
56. Chinese "way"
57. Galileo's birthplace
61. Novocaine, for one (2 wd)
64. 1968 Chemistry Nobel
65. Copper
66. "I give up!"
67. Astringent
68. ____ bag
69. Character

Down

1. Resting places
2. Dwarf buffalo
3. Like a bug in a rug
4. Induce to commit perjury
5. Black gold
6. Floor it
7. Air bag?
8. "A jealous mistress": Emerson
9. Blend beforehand
10. ____ National Monument in SD
11. "God's Little ____"
12. The Beatles' "____ Leaving Home"
13. Makeup, e.g.
18. Flying high
19. Romance, e.g.
24. "That's ____"
25. Molecule consisting of two identical simpler molecules
26. Flower
27. AM/FM device
28. Inclined
29. Victory hand gesture
30. Hawkeye
31. Gumption
32. Muslim porter
35. O. Henry device
38. Tumor
40. Extremely popular
43. Drivel
45. Ed.'s request (acronym)
48. All together
50. Feel remorse for
52. Spoonful, say
53. ____ podrida
54. Black shade
55. Almond
56. Camping gear
58. Allergic reaction
59. Fodder holder
60. Air force heroes
62. "The Matrix" hero
63. Cast

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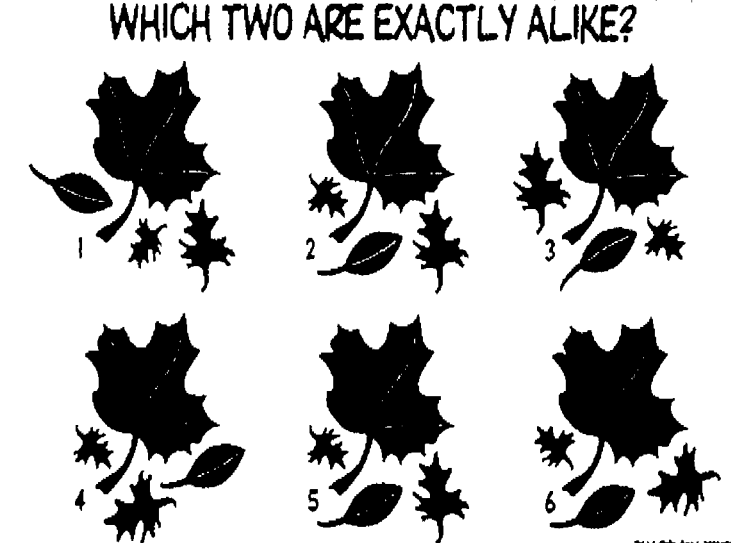
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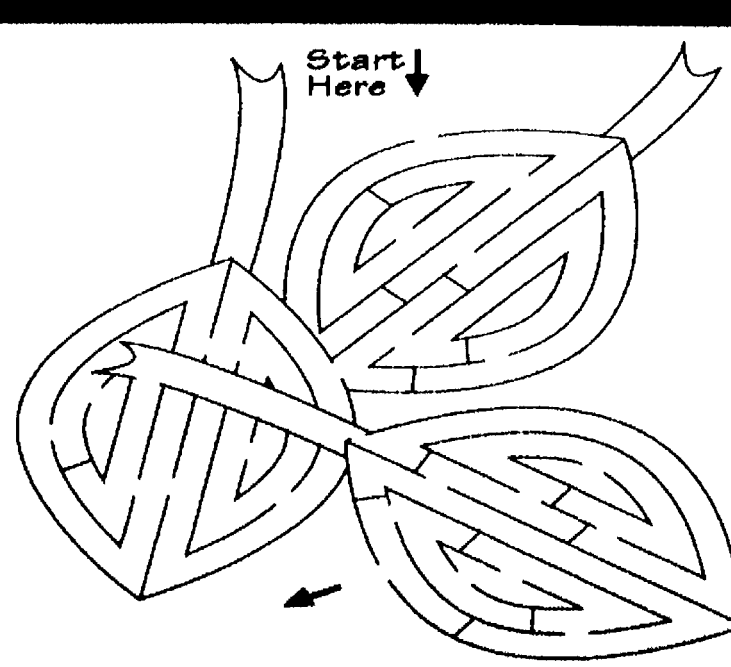


FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



MAZE



HOROSCOPES

Week of September 25, 2011



Not everyone believes as you do. Capricorn. Keep that in mind when conflict bubbles. Listen and make allowances as needed. You just might learn a thing or two.



You're a realist. Aquarius, and see things as they are. While that works well for you most of the time, you need to give in and let the dreamer in you come out this week.



A loved one grows distant. Don't take it personally. Pisces. They are dealing with something and will return to their sunny self in no time.



Want to get noticed? Don't make a spectacle of yourself. Aries. Go for something a little less subtle and more commendable. An act of kindness goes a long way.



You don't always have to explain yourself. Taurus. Proceed as usual and leave the explaining to others. A relative needs a favor first, help them.



Someone has got you twisted around their finger, but that doesn't mean you have to succumb to their every wish. I learn to say no and protect yourself. Gemini.



Someone new comes into your inner circle. They may be different, but that doesn't entitle you to dismiss them. Cancer. Embrace their uniqueness.



You tend to be very private, but if you want to get anywhere with a certain person, you are going to have to be more revealing. Open up. Leo.



Up for some fun? Then have some. Virgo, and don't let others make you feel guilty for doing so. You deserve time to do the things you enjoy.



An incident at work revives your joy for life. Get out there. Libra, and meet new people and try new things. The world is your oyster. A friend returns a favor.



You've got a barrel of issues to deal with at home. Confront them one at a time. Scorpio, and use reason rather than emotion to resolve them.



You're on top of the world this week. Sagittarius. Everything goes your way, but be careful you don't go overboard. You do have limitations.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

Open: Everyday - 10am to 3pm

ADOPT A PET

WE'RE OVERLOADED! The animal shelter is currently very full of animals in need of loving homes, just like yours. Help these very adoptable pets find homes, adopt today! Visit our website for more information.



Shiner

Shiner is a very handsome 2 1/2 year old Chihuahua mix. He is looking for a home with an experienced dog owner because Shiner is a bit sassy. This little guy is very affectionate, good with other dogs and cats. He is housebroken and is good on and off leash. Shiner would not be appropriate for a family with children. He has been neutered, vaccinated and micro chipped.

Visit us at: www.ausablevalleyanimalshelter.org

AuSable Valley Animal Shelter
5786 Fairground Lane, Grayling

Use the entrance to the Crawford County Fairgrounds
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117
For more pets or more information, visit our website www.ascc.petfinder.com

RECIPE OF THE WEEK



SLOW COOKER LASAGNA

Ingredients:

1 lb. ground beef
1 jar (24 oz.) spaghetti sauce
1 cup water
1 container (15 oz.) Ricotta Cheese

1 pkg. (7 oz.) 2% Milk Shredded Mozzarella Cheese, divided
1/4 cup Grated Parmesan Cheese, divided
1 egg
2 Tbsp. chopped fresh parsley
6 lasagna noodles, uncooked

Directions:

BROWN meat in large skillet; drain. Stir in spaghetti sauce and water. Mix ricotta, 1-1/2 cups mozzarella, 2 Tbsp. Parmesan, egg and parsley.

SPOON 1 cup meat sauce into slow cooker; top with layers of half each of the noodles (broken to fit) and cheese mixture. Cover with 2 cups meat sauce. Top with remaining noodles (broken to fit), cheese mixture and meat sauce. Cover with lid.

COOK on LOW 4 to 6 hours or until liquid is absorbed. Sprinkle with remaining cheeses; let stand, covered, 10 min. or until melted.

Prep Time: 20 mins
Total Time: 4hrs, 20 mins
Makes 8 servings

WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week

Date	H	L	Rain
9/19	62	40	0.36
9/20	68	41	0
9/21	70	54	0.14
9/22	58	41	0.08
9/23	61	41	0.81
9/24	62	44	0.02
9/25	71	47	0.13

Extended Forecast

(Courtesy of the Weather.com)

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
High 61	High 47	High 53	High 63	High 59	High 60
Low 37	Low 31	Low 35	Low 39	Low 37	Low 38
Showers	Few Showers	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny

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1. Real Estate

HOUSE FOR SALE 2-3 bedrooms, 2 full baths. 586-446-0004, 586-713-7500. (-2/8/10/11/1)

NICE 3 - 4 BEDROOM ranch on a beautiful 20 acres. Property also includes a guest house/rental. Go to www.graylinghouseforsale.weebly.com for more details or call 989-344-8046. (LR9/29/11/1)

139' BLACK RIVER FRONTAGE Alcona County. 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath, fireplace, 2 1/2 car garage, 2 decks, surveyed, many updates. Trout, salmon, walleye runs. Lake Huron boat ramp 1 1/2 blocks away. Contact 989-348-7355, \$89,000. (LR9/29/11/1)

SHARP 3 BEDROOM HOME located at 6315 Old Lake Rd., Grayling. 1 1/2 bath, newer roof, well, water heater and paint. Land contract terms \$51,000. Call owner at 989-742-4371 or 989-390-4611. (-22-29-6-13/1)

WANTED SMALL TRACT of land on Au Sable for trailer. Contact Fred Dunlap 214 769-4234. (-15-22-29-6-13/1)

FOR SALE - Rustic hunting cabin on 2 wooded acres across from state land, 8 miles west of Frederic, MI. Needs some TLC but priced accordingly at \$9,500. Call 826-8484. (-15-22-29-6/1)

2. For Rent

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH washer/dryer, near Lake Margrethe, nonsmoking only - \$650 plus utilities, security, references, 989-348-8627. (-9/29/11/2)

FOR RENT 3 BEDROOM, 2 car garage, sun room, den, basement, large shop, close to town. Call Dennis 989-390-1264, \$750 security, \$900 rent. (-29-6/2)

FOR RENT 7 miles from town. Upstairs 2 bedroom apartment \$650 electric and propane included. No smoking, no pets. Leave message 989-348-2051. (-29/2)

1 BEDROOM with stove, frig, washer/dryer, garage - \$550, \$550 security. 4 bedroom, walkout basement to AuSable River - \$900, \$900 security. 989-529-8765. (-29/2)

1. Real Estate

Recently Foreclosed, Special Financing Available, Any Credit, Any Income

3BD, 1 BTH, 840SqFT, located at, 600 Madsen St., Grayling, \$17,500
Visit:
www.roselandco.com/9CY
 Drive by then call (866)924-8348

2. For Rent

3 BEDROOM HOUSE one bathroom, remodeled, entire fresh paint, detached garage, good neighborhood, at Karen Woods sub division, 6342 Atkinson Rd. No pets, no smoking in house. Rent \$600 plus utilities, minimum one year lease, \$600 deposit. Need references. Phone 989-348-9612. (-29-6/2)

NICE 3 BEDROOM 1 1/2 bath, country home for rent by Lake Margrethe, available Nov. 1. \$700 per month plus deposit and utilities. 231-360-0453. (-22-29/2)

MONTHLY HOME RENTALS near Grayling, Houghton Lake, Roscommon and Higgins Lake. 2 and 3 bedroom. Higgins North Property Services, 989-821-3434. (-1/13/11/1/2)

COMMERCIAL BUILDING FOR RENT 6251 M-72 West, 1/2 mile from city. Large parking lot, 840 sq. ft., suitable for office, retail, beauty shop, \$550 month. 989-348-4716. (-4/28/11/1/2)

FOR RENT 2 BEDROOM 2nd story apartment located in town, \$550 per month. To apply call 989-710-1194 or 989-370-2745. (-7/21/11/1/2)

NICE 3 BEDROOM HOME large garage, hot water heat, good neighborhood, non-smoking. 348 Red Tail Hawk Loop. \$695. 348-2178. (-9/15/11/1/2)

3 BEDROOM HOUSE for rent or sale. Zoned commercial, great location. 713 Michigan Ave., 348-2741, (-15-22-29/2)

2. For Rent

WHISPERING PINES APARTMENTS

Whispering Pines Apartments is currently accepting applications for 1-and 2-bedroom apartments. We are accepting applications for Seniors 62 years of age and older and Handicap/Disabled persons, regardless of age. Income-based rent is available. Apartments feature walk-in closets, air conditioning and open living areas. Rent includes heat, domestic hot water and more. For more information, or to tour the property, please call (989)344-0020.

Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD 1-800-649-3777.

Grayling Pines Apartments

Grayling Pines Apartments is currently accepting applications for 1-and 2-bedroom apartments. Income-based rent is available. Apartments feature walk-in closets, air conditioning and open living areas and private patios/balconies. Rent includes heat, domestic hot water and more. For more information, or to tour the property, please call (989)344-0020. Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD 1-800-649-3777.

1. Real Estate

2. For Rent

CUTE, CLEAN, FULLY FURNISHED 1 bedroom home, just steps away from Higgins Lake, \$475 per month, call 231-218-8529. (-22-29/2)

BEAUTIFUL, CLEAN, FULLY FURNISHED 3 bedroom home, just steps away from Higgins Lake, \$625 per month. Call 231-218-8529. (-22-29/2)

VIKING VILLAGE APARTMENTS is now accepting applications for current availability. Very nice two bedroom, two bath apartments approximately one mile west of Grayling off M-72. Units in this quiet community include central air conditioning, attached garage, paved lighted streets and driveways, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer and dryer. Lawn care, snow removal, and garbage pickup included in the annual lease. Utilities are not included but these units are very energy efficient. Contact Herb Olson, at 989-348-9456, for more information or to schedule a tour. (-8/4/11/1/2)

HOUSE FOR RENT 3 bedroom, 1 bath in Frederic. \$550 monthly, first and last. 810-643-6814. (-22-29-6-13/2)

FOR RENT 222 CRESTWOOD 3 bedroom mobile with addition located in Grayling Mobile Estates. Natural gas, cable, \$535 a month, \$635 deposit. Call Ron at 989-348-6761. (-9/29/11/1/2)

2 BEDROOM HOME with sleeping loft on large lot, 2 blocks from Higgins Lake, mostly furnished. No security deposit. Renter pays propane and utilities, \$500 per month. 989-821-8642. (-9/29/11/1/2)

3. Employment

Grayling Township Accepting Resumes for Position of Supervisor

The Grayling Charter Township Board of Trustees is currently accepting resumes for the fulltime position of township supervisor. Persons interested should submit resumes clearly marked "Supervisor" to Grayling Charter Township, PO Box 521; Grayling, MI 49738, or deliver them to the township office at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling, during normal business hours.

Candidates for this position must understand that it includes statutory, legislative, and administrative duties as described by Michigan law, the policies of Grayling Township, and the needs of the community.

This is an appointment to fulfill the final year in the term of an elected position. To continue in the position after November 20, 2012, the appointee will have to stand for and win election in the August primary and November general elections of 2012. As an elected official, the duties may have to be performed 24-hours per day, seven days per week, as necessitated by the general public.

In order to appoint the best candidate to the position, the successful candidate will have developed many of the following skills through education and/or life experience:

1. The ability to communicate effectively, make difficult decisions, work closely with the public and with community boards and committees.
2. The ability to manage a small staff who have varied duties and skills which you may know nothing about.
3. The ability to organize, implement and administer multiple tasks, simultaneously.
4. The ability to prepare and work within a budget.
5. An enthusiastic appreciation for government and a dedication to public service.
6. The ability of leadership.
7. The ability to listen and learn.
8. The ability to maintain an open mind.
9. A love and respect for our community that promotes a desire for continuous improvement.
10. Specific knowledge of municipal planning and zoning, and the development and enforcement of local ordinances.
11. General computer skills.
12. Perform all of the above under very strict budgetary constraints.

Interviews for this position will take place on Monday, October 10th, beginning at 9 a.m. in the Grayling Township Boardroom. All applicants and the general public are invited to attend. The final appointment will be made by the township board on Wednesday, October 19th, at the regular monthly board meeting. The official starting date will be Monday, October 31, 2011, but the new appointee may be asked to work a paid internship prior to officially assuming the position.

The new Grayling Charter Township Supervisor's beginning salary will be \$34,441.00 per year, with opportunities for periodic increases, as determined by the board of trustees. The township also offers a full benefit package including many educational opportunities in specific skills pertaining to the position.

A detailed job description is available at the front desk of the township hall. If you have questions concerning this position, please contact Terry Wright or Monica Ashton, at the township hall, or phone (989) 348-4361.

2. For Rent

FREDERIC AREA 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath on 10 acres, quiet wooded adult community, 1,400 sf., large laundry room, large storage building, propane heat, \$550 plus utilities, \$500 deposit, 989-348-2088. (-29-6/2)

3. Employment

HIGH PAYING CAREERS for men and women in transportation. Contact Liberty Truck Driving School. 888-602-5966, www.libertytruckdrivingschool.com. (-7-14-21-28-4-11-18-25-1-8-15-22-29-6-13-20-27/3)

ROSCOMMON AREA COMPANY is seeking hard working motivated people to fill two seasonal positions in our fast paced warehouse. Must be able to lift 70 lbs., have a valid drivers license, your own transportation and must be at least 18 years old. Must be available to work between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday - Friday with some weekend work required. Starting pay is \$7.50 per hour. Please e-mail your resume to hiring@northlineexpress.com. (-29/3)

PATIENT SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE seeking part time representative to work with patients at local hospital. Will screen for eligibility of government assistance, great customer service skills needed. Experience with Medicaid processes preferred. Will work 5 hours per day, M - F, with the possibility of going full time in the future. Please send resumes to Abigail.kopp@na.first-source.com or fax to: 616-554-7738. (-22-29/3)

3. Employment

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P/T MERCHANDISER NEEDED Job # 8257-to service the "general merchandise" items in supermarkets in Grayling, Kalkaska, and Lewiston. P/T, 6-8 hours monthly. \$9.00/hr. To apply go to www.atartail.com or phone 1-800-287-1604 ext. 584. Please reference job # 8257. (-22-29/3)

EXPERIENCED OTR DRIVERS Competitive pay & benefits, personalized dispatch, good home time. OTR Flatbed, Van & Transport tanker w/hazmat/tanker endorsement. Jeff Foster Trucking, Inc., EOE. 800-669-5043 Leyla x 601. (-29-6/3)

HANSON HILLS RECREATION AREA is getting ready for the winter season and taking applications for a Rental Shop Manager, Rental Shop and Snack Bar employees. Applications available on our website at www.hansonhills.org or in the Main Lodge office during normal business hours. (-29/3)

3. Employment

3. Employment

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS We are hiring due to new store openings. Positions now available in all areas of the company. Job duties vary, depending on position hired for. Most desirable positions go first. Call for details 989-732-8373. (-29/3)

4. Services Offered

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Northern Lakes COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH

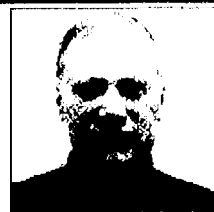
Is seeking individuals to provide care for adults with developmental disabilities in a group home in Grayling. Rewarding work environment with staffing ratios of 1:3 or less. "Previous experience with behavioral health care services is a plus." Starting wage is \$7.40/hr, increase to \$10.14 /hr after paid training. Applicants must have proof of high school diploma/equivalent, reliable transportation, and a working home telephone. Must have acceptable driving and criminal record checks. To apply call Nancy at (989) 348-2461 Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. or apply in person Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. at Northern Lakes Community Mental Health, 204 Meadows Drive, Grayling. EOE

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- MLS# 274515 - 2 Bdr., 1 Bth., Private, Great for Hunters \$55,900
- MLS# 275103 - 1 Bdr., 1 Bth., 15 Acres, Close to AuSable \$62,500
- MLS# 275346 - 3 Bdr., 2 Bth., 100' from AuSable \$79,900
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8. Announcements

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THERE WILL BE a meeting of the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter on Oct. 10, 2011 at 3 p.m. (-29-6/8)

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10. Garage Sales

GARAGE SALE Sat. & Sun., 10 - 4, end of Isenhauer Rd. Craftsman chipper, riding lawn mower with plow, leather sectional, very large executive desk, lots of retired PartyLite items, household, Christmas items and more. (-29/10)

LIVING ESTATE/MOVING SALE Sale - 201 N. Park Drive, Grayling - 2 blocks north of North Down River Rd., off Roberts Rd., starting Friday, Sept. 30 thru Oct. 2, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Diamond plate tool box, air compressor with hoses, hand & power tools, Stihl weedwacker, clocks, dishes, kitchen ware, bedding, too much to mention. Cash only. (-29/10)

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SATURDAY, OCT. 1 9 to 4. 3658 Breakfast Point, off M-72 1 mile east of Grayling. Antiques, tools, cement blocks, used lumber, crocks, glassware, dishes, misc. (-29/10)

GARAGE SALE Sept. 30, 2011, 8 to 5, & Oct. 1, 2011, 8 to 2, Glen's Markets Plaza, Grayling. There will be baby clothes, sporting goods, kitchen essentials, household goods and adult clothes. All proceeds to River House, Inc. (-29/10)

SATURDAY, OCT. 1 9 to 4. 3658 Breakfast Point, off M-72 1 mile east of Grayling. Antiques, tools, cement blocks, used lumber, crocks, glassware, dishes, misc. (-29/10)

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Trevor Dewitt goes up for a header during last week's soccer game against the Kalkaska Blazers.

Soccer team wins 7-0 vs. Kalkaska Blazers

Seven different Vikings score a goal in the victory

Seven different varsity boys soccer players scored a goal for the Grayling Vikings during a 7-0 league win vs. the Kalkaska Blazers on Wednesday night. The contest, a home game for Grayling, was played at the Crawford County Sports Complex (Crawford County Fairgrounds).

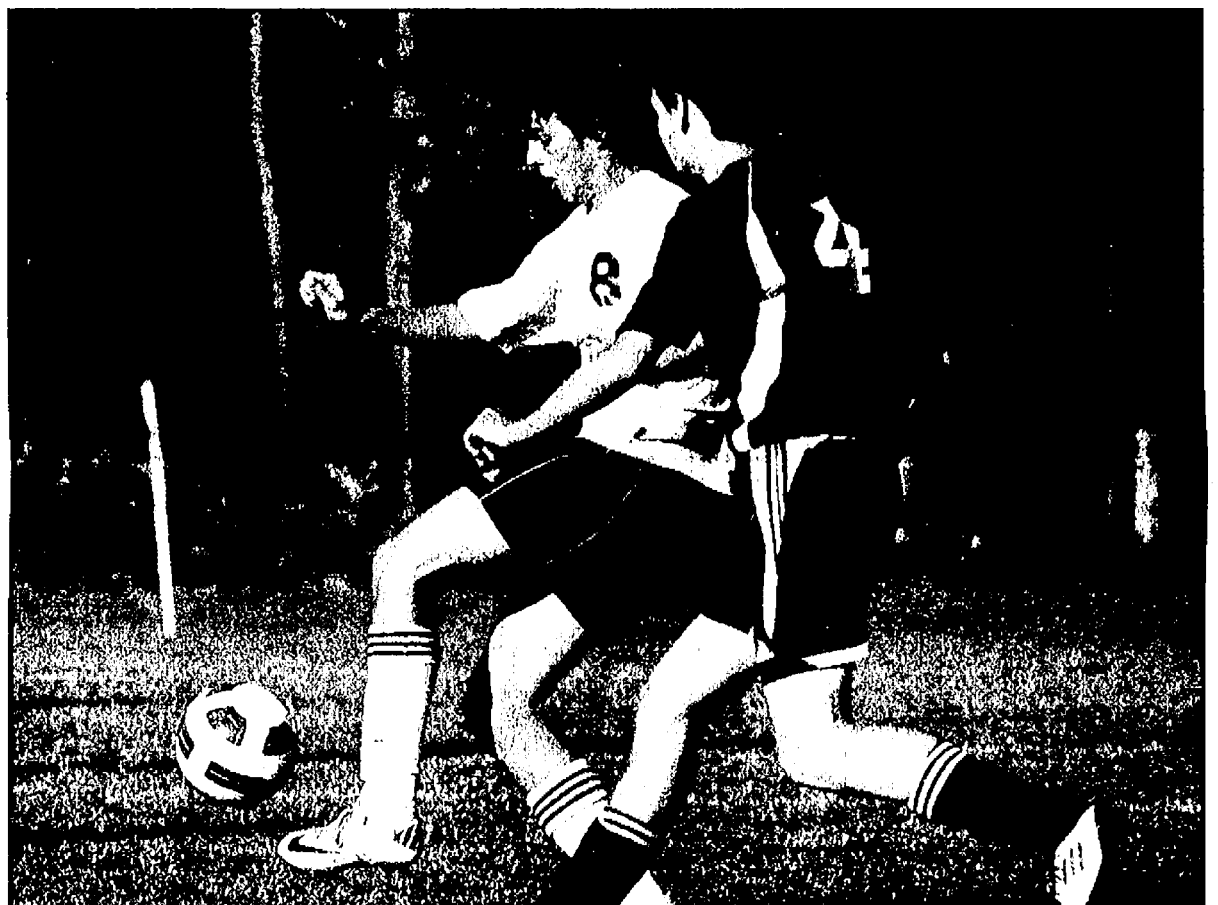
The Vikings scored five goals in the first half and two in the second half. Exchange student Vinicius Prieto scored Grayling's first goal of the match. Trevor Dewitt scored the second. Jacob Robbins and Carson Burmeister added goals for the Vikings. Boomer Wingard scored on a penalty kick near the end of the half.

"We started strong from the beginning and scoring the ball," Coach Nate Alyas said. "We tried to give more opportunities for the second line. They played real well."

Grayling lost 6-2 at Boyne City on Monday night.

The Vikings (5-7 overall, 5-2 league) will play at Standish-Sterling Central on Thursday, Sept. 29.

Evan Korneli and Keanu Quintana scored goals for GHS in the second half.



Vinicius Prieto controls the ball for the Vikings on Wednesday.



Nick Wells, left, dribbles the ball for Grayling on Wednesday. Jordan Bulmer, right, takes a throw-in for GHS vs. Kalkaska.



Jeff LaVigne tries for a header on a corner kick vs. Kalkaska.

Pool League

Women's Standings	Gray Rock	14	Two Track	11 5
Frederic Inn	Ramada Inn	8	Ball Run: Johanna (Two Track).	
Legion	Swamp 2	12		

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Cyclists test endurance during 12&24 hour races at Hanson Hills

Thirty-six cyclists competed in the 12&24 Hours of Hanson Hills Mountain Bike Race – an event conducted by Fun Promotions LLC, a company that coordinates bicycle and snowmobile races throughout the state of Michigan – on Saturday, Sept. 17, at Hanson Hills Recreation Area, testing their endurance in a battle to see who could complete the most laps in 12 or 24 hours.

"People have the option to go solo, two-person teams, or four-person teams. Basically it's a relay. They have 24 hours (or 12 hours) to get as many laps in as possible. The most laps wins," said Justin Andre, Director of Operations for Grayling Recreation Authority, the governing body for Hanson Hills.

12&24 Hours of Hanson Hills Mountain Bike Race competitors used the park's Yellow Loop, a course that Andre described as a "single track trail" with "rolling terrain." Each lap was 10 miles.

It was an even split among the competitors; 18 cyclists were in the 12-hour event and 18 were in the 24-hour race.

Race results by division, courtesy of Fun Promotions LLC, are as follows: **12 Hours Male 40+** – Chris Torrance (Racing Greyhounds), 10 laps; Chris Hansen (Silversmith), 9 laps; Mike Burnside (Camping World), 8 laps; Jason Sparks (Racing Greyhounds), 6 laps; **12 Hours Women** – Kelly Green Shrift, 7 laps; Sara Baldez (In Memory of Joshy), 5 laps; **12 Hours 2 Person Open Advance** – (Team Mike Woods) Wayne Cook, Chris Maltby, 15



Photos by Caleb Casey

Cyclists leave the starting area during the 2011 12&24 Hours of Hanson Hills Mountain Bike Race.

laps; Steve Schultz, Bob South, 12 laps; **12 Hours 4 Person Open Sport** – (Quattro) David Allan, Jake Maki, Paul Fernandez, Joe Lak, 14 laps; **12 Hours 4 Person Mixed** – Harry Colfer, Jennifer Jensen, Kristi Frank, Erin Scroggin, 12 laps; **24 Hours Male 29 and under** – Jonathan Roobol, 12; **24 Hours Male 30-39** – Alex Mitterski (Racing Greyhounds), 10 laps; **24 Hours Male 40+** – David Silvers (Silversmith), 20 laps; Bob Kidder, 18 laps; Russell Petts (Racing Greyhounds), 16 laps; Jim Weitzmann (X Tension Racing), 15 laps; Tom Crimp (AUX Racing), 12 laps; Brent Walk (funpromotions.com), 2 laps; **24 Hours Single Speed** – (The

Bicycle Shop) Ryan Harris, 9 laps; **24 Hours Women** – Sally Vernon, 13 laps; **24 Hours 2 Person Open Sport** – (No Boundries/Serendipity Cycles) Ben Tompkins, Brandon Inglehart, 12 laps; **24 Hours**

2 Person Open Advance – (Michigan Racing Addicts) Hilary Witbrodt, Phil Shrader, 19 laps; (Funk Soul Brothers) Randy Vernon, Steve Kelly, 14 laps; (Trailer Park Boys) Chester Feeler, Teeter, 12 laps.



Ryan Harris finishes his first 10-mile lap during the 12&24 Hour event.

Bowling Leagues

Pioneer League	Ladybugs.....7 - 5
Legion.....7 - 1	Fearless.....5 - 7
Pink Ladies.....5 - 3	Snow Tops.....4 - 8
T.C. Lawncare.....4 - 4	High Series Women: D. Hollis, 492; H. Stairs, 447; R. Brown, 418.
Tim's Collision.....4 - 4	High Game Women: H. Stairs, 176; D. Hollis, 173; R. Brown, 158.
5 B's.....3 - 5	High Series Men: P. Faustman, 566; B. Hollis, 531; S. Green, 498.
Ole Dam.....2 - 6	High Game Men: B. Hollis, 219; P. Faustman, 213; S. Green, 179.
Bosco Babes.....1 - 7	Friday Mixed Doubles
High Series: K. Moshier, 533; M. Kroell, 512; C. Seymour, 499.	Dodi's Karaoke.....15 - 6
High Game: K. Moshier, 192; C. Seymour, 190; L. Gohnick, 179.	L & L Hauling.....14 - 7
Recreation League	Don Nester.....12 - 9
Robin Smith CPA.....10 - 2	American Legion.....10 - 11
American Legion.....8 - 4	AJD.....9 - 12
Glen's Market.....7 - 5	Double Trouble.....9 - 12
Snap Fitness.....5 - 7	G & B Rentals.....8 - 13
Grayling Nursing.....5 - 7	Rye Collision.....7 - 14
Worm Guts Fishing.....5 - 7	High Series Women: D. Hollis, 493; J. Williamson, 492; L. Holcamp, 468.
Days Inn.....5 - 7	High Game Women: P. Younglove, 190; D. Hollis, 189; L. Holcamp, 178.
New Kids.....3 - 9	High Series Men: B. Hollis, 564; G. Mastroeni, 563; D. Wallace, 547.
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High Game: K. Wheeler, 202; M. Barclay, 188; M. Bond, 177.	Sunday Mixed Doubles
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Dana Transport.....8 - 4	Team Roo.....14 - 7
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Lone Pine.....4 - 8	High Series Men: J. Thayer, 605; L. Ostrowski, 553; T. Hulbert, 535.
High Series Women: D. Hollis, 448; C. Clark, 436; H. Stairs, 416.	High Series Women: M. Bond, 479; L. Mead, 449; J. Dent, 438.
High Game Women: D. Hollis, 177; C. Clark, 158.	High Game Women: S. Moshier, 196; M. Bond, 179; C. SanCarier, 170.
High Series Men: K. Louchart, 524; P. Faustman, 501; D. Henning, 491.	High Game Men: J. Thayer, 233; L. Ostrowski, 231; T. Hulbert, 205.
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Thanks "A Latte".....8 - 4	

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